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(From Left) Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson and James A Robinson

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TRIO WINS ECONOMICS NOBEL FOR WORK ON WEALTH INEQUALITY

Economists Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson and James Robinson win Nobel for research into differences in prosperity between nations

RESEARCH ON WHY NATIONS FAIL OR SUCCEED

By examining the various political and economic systems introduced by European colonisers, the three researchers explained why some countries are rich and others poor, the Nobel committee said. Their research also helped explain why countries with poor rule of law and exploitative institutions often become trapped in a situation of "low economic growth"

HIGHLIGHTING ROLE OF SOCIETAL INSTITUTIONS

- "The three economists have demonstrated the importance of societal institutions for achieving prosperity," Jakob Svensson, Chair of the Committee for the Prize in Economic Sciences, said | **P12**
- Acemoglu and Robinson wrote the best-selling book *Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity, and Poverty* published in 2012

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WHEN THE SWEDISH CENTRAL BANK ESTABLISHED NOBEL ECONOMICS PRIZE

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India expels six top Canadian diplomats, withdraws envoy

Indian high commissioner 'person of interest' in Nijjar case: Canada

Canada's Deputy High Commissioner Stewart Wheeler leaves the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi on Monday. He is among the six expelled Canadian diplomats | PTI

CURIOUS TIMING OF THE COMMUNIQUE

"It is no coincidence that it takes place as Prime Minister Trudeau is to depose before a commission on foreign interference," the foreign office said in its statement

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

RELATIONS between India and Canada reached a nadir on Monday as the foreign office announced the expulsion of six Canadian diplomats and the withdrawal of its high commissioner and other diplomats after Ottawa claimed they were 'persons of interest' in the murder of Khalistani radical Hardeep Singh Nijjar in British Columbia last year. Though Nijjar, a Canadian national, was not named, the insinuation was crystal clear.

The six expelled diplomats are acting High Commissioner Stewart Ross Wheeler, Deputy High Commissioner Patrick Hebert and first secretaries Marie Catherine Joly, Ian Ross David Trites, Adam James Chuipka, and Paula Orjuela. All six were given a Saturday deadline to fly out of India.

The announcement came after the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) summoned Wheeler and gave him a piece of its mind. "It was underlined that in an atmosphere of extremism and violence, the Trudeau Government's actions endangered their safety. We have no faith in the current Canadian Government's commitment to ensure their security," the MEA said.

Hardeep Singh Nijjar and Justin Trudeau

> **Aspersions cast on him (High Commissioner Verma) are ludicrous and deserve to be treated with contempt - MEA**

The MEA's Secretary East summoned Wheeler and said India reserves the right to take further steps in response to the Trudeau government's support for extremism, violence and separatism against the country. He was informed that the baseless targeting of the Indian high commissioner and other diplomats and officials in Canada was unacceptable.

Earlier in the day, India trashed a communiqué which suggested that High Commissioner Sanjay Kumar Verma and other diplomats were 'persons of interest' in the matter.

Ever since Trudeau first alleged an Indian role in Nijjar's murder, his government has not shared a shred of evidence despite repeated requests, the foreign office asserted. "This leaves little doubt that on the pretext of an investigation, there is a deliberate strategy of smearing India for political gains," the MEA charged.

But Wheeler later claimed his country had provided 'credible, irrefutable evidence'.

"Prime Minister Trudeau's naked interference in Indian internal politics in December 2020 showed how far he was willing to go in this regard. That his Government was dependent on a political party, whose leader openly espouses a separatist ideology vis-a-vis India, only aggravated matters," the statement added.

PITCH PERFECT

Team India skipper Rohit Sharma and head coach Gautam Gambhir at a practice session at M Chinnaswamy Stadium, ahead of India's first Test against New Zealand, in Bengaluru on Monday | VINOD KUMAR T | P13

Unscientific projects causing landslides in C'magaluru, says GSI

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@ Chikkamagaluru

THE Geological Survey of India (GSI) has placed Mullayyanagiri and Chandradrona hill ranges and the Charmady Ghat in the list of danger zones.

It conducted a survey recently to know the reasons for landslides in the hilly regions of Chikkamagaluru district. A report was submitted to the district administration, asking it to take certain precautionary measures.

After the tragedy in Kerala's Wayanad region, the state government asked the district administration to prepare a list of places facing natural calamities such as landslides and floods. Accordingly, the district administration identified 77 places as disaster-prone and submitted a report to the government.

In August, the GSI team visited Mullayyanagiri, Datta Peeta and Chandradrona hill ranges and other places in the district and studied the reasons for landslides and floods there.

In its report, the team attributed the reasons for landslides to "mindless and unscientific" development works in the eco-sensitive region.

The report suggested that even movement of heavy vehicles should be stopped in the Mullyyanagiri and Chandradrona ranges.

RAIN FOR NEXT FOUR DAYS: IMD

The IMD has forecast rainfall over most parts of Karnataka for the next four days, due to a trough over central Arabian Sea to Comorin area across south Kerala | P5

Road and other infrastructure projects causing harm to Chikkamagaluru district | EXPRESS

FOOD PRICEY

Retail inflation at nine-month high of 5.49%

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

RETAIL inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), reached a nine-month high of 5.49% in September on account of rising food prices, data released by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation showed on Monday. In August, CPI inflation was 3.65%, slightly up from 3.6% in the previous month. The highest inflation rate prior to this was recorded in December 2023, at 5.69%.

According to the government, high base effect and weather conditions might have led to increase in inflation in September. The Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI), which measures food inflation, was reported at 9.24% for September. The inflation rates for rural and urban areas were 9.08% and 9.56%, respectively.

Meanwhile, the year-on-year housing inflation rate for September was 2.78%, up from 2.66% in August. The All India Electricity index for September was recorded at 162.5, with an inflation rate of 5.45%. Additionally, significant declines in inflation were noted for pulses and products, spices, meat and fish, as well as the sugar and confectionery subgroups during September.

Manoranjan Sharma, chief economist, Infomerics Ratings, said: "The inflationary surge is attributable to the base effect, 9.24% food inflation in September up from 5.66% in August, and the spike in inflation rate for vegetables from 10.71% in July to 35.99% in August. In hindsight, it is clear that RBI was right in holding the rates steady in its October 9, 2024, Policy. Constant caution, vigil, and monitoring are needed."

In addition, India's wholesale price index-based inflation rose slightly to 1.84% in September, up from 1.31% in August, due to a sharp uptick in food prices. Food inflation surged to 11.53% for the month compared to just 3.11% in August, according to the commerce ministry's data.

Other major sub-indices, such as manufactured products, showed a drop in prices.

HUBBALLI RIOT

Withdrawal of cases: BJP seeks Guv's intervention

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@ Bengaluru

STATE BJP leaders on Monday sought Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot's intervention to revoke the cabinet decision to withdraw cases against the accused in the Hubballi rioting case in 2022. They staged a protest in the city and submitted a memorandum to the governor.

In the memorandum, the BJP leaders pointed out that the cabinet had decided to withdraw 60 cases, including against the accused in Hubballi violence, where a violent mob laid siege to the Old Hubballi police station, damaged police vehicles and temples near the station. The mob also threw stones injuring several police personnel. Hubballi-Dharwad police had arrested 150 people and filed cases against some of them under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act.

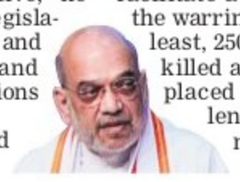
"By withdrawing the cases against those miscreants, the government has disregarded the serious nature of violence, which involved attacks on police personnel and public property," it stated. **P4**

First meet of Kuki, Meitei, Naga MLAs since Manipur erupted

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR & MUKESH RANJAN
@ Guwahati/New Delhi

LEGISLATORS from Manipur's Meitei, Kuki and Naga communities will sit down on Tuesday in Delhi for their first joint meeting to be held by the Centre since the eruption of ethnic violence in the state last year.

A Meitei legislator said he welcomed the initiative. "We were asked to sit together as part of a peace initiative," he said. "There will be legislators from Meitei, Kuki and Naga communities, and the state's different regions will be represented."



Some Meitei and Naga ministers and MLAs flew to Delhi from Imphal on Monday.

Letpao Haokip, a Kuki-Zo minister, said all 10 Kuki-Zo legislators of Manipur have been invited. "Some will definitely attend, but we are not sure how many," he added. Meanwhile, an MLA camping in Delhi said 18 will attend – eight Meitei MLAs and five each from Kuki and Naga communities.

An official said the talks are part of the Centre's efforts to facilitate a dialogue between the warring communities. At least, 250 people have been killed and over 60,000 displaced since ethnic violence erupted in Manipur in May last year.

EXPRESS READ

Wayanad: Kerala passes resolution against Centre

T'puram: The Kerala Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution on Monday against the Centre's delay in extending aid to Wayanad. The substantive motion was presented by Parliamentary Affairs Minister MB Rajesh at the outset of an adjournment discussion in the House on the matter | **P5**

Siddique killing: Cops in MP searching for 3rd shooter

Mumbai: Police scoured places of worship in Madhya Pradesh's Ujjain and Khandwa in their hunt for the third shooter wanted for NCP leader Baba Siddique's killing. A Khandwa police officer said the shooters arrested by Mumbai police have said they had visited places of worship | **P10**

Court rejects bail pleas of Darshan, Pavithra

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A city court on Monday dismissed the bail pleas of jailed actor **Darshan Thoogudeepa**, his close friend Pavithra Gowda and two others in the Renukaswamy murder case. The court, however, granted bail to two other accused in the case.

Jaishankar, Judge of the 56th City Civil and Sessions Court, who reserved his order last week, dismissed the bail petitions of Darshan, Pavithra Gowda, actor's manager Nagaraju (A-11) and his car driver Lakshman (A-12). The court granted bail to Deepak Kumar M (A-13) and Ravishankar (A-8).

An advocate representing Ravishankar, a car driver from Chitradurga, told reporters that he got bail as the other accused from Chitradurga, Anu Kumar, Raghavendra and Jagadish, had first contacted Suresh, a car driver, to hire his vehicle to bring Renukaswamy to Bengaluru. As Suresh was in Chikkamagaluru, he asked them to contact Ravishankar. Ravishankar got involved in the case as his car was hired. Ravishankar had no intention to harm anyone and he was not part of the murder conspiracy. Even eyewitness statements supported Ravishankar's innocence, the advocate said.

Senior counsels CV Nagesh and Tommy Sebastian had appeared on behalf of Darshan and Pavithra Gowda, respectively. Special public prosecutor B Prasanna Kumar had argued that there is technical evidence such as mobile tower location of the accused, including Darshan and Pavithra Gowda, tracked to the shed at Pattanagere, where the crime was committed.

Court grants bail to former min Nagendra

A special court on Monday granted bail to former minister B Nagendra, who was arrested by the ED in connection with the multi-crore scam in Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation. Santhosh Ganjanan Bhat, judge of the Special Court to try cases against sitting and former MPs/MLAs, granted bail to the Ballari MLA | **P3**

Arkavathy: Complaint to Guv against CM on denotification

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FOUR people, who have been allotted sites in Arkavathy Layout in Bengaluru, on Monday complained to Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot accusing Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, the then Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) Commissioner Sham Bhatt and land acquisition officer Boraiah of involving in the alleged illegalities in denotification of land acquired for formation of the layout.

In their letter to the governor, MS Shivalingappa, M Chandrasekaran, K Ramachandraiah and Dr Venkatakrishnappa, site owners, stated that several land parcels were notified for formation of the layout in 2004-05. Some land owners challenged the acquisition of their land in the high court.

The court upheld the land acquisition, but directed the BDA to consider applications of the land owners for deletion of their land acquired by following certain parameters. **P3**

IMPACT OF CONFLICTS

Exports from K'taka take a severe beating

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

THE conflict in West Asia and the coming US elections have affected exports from Karnataka. Companies manufacturing automobile components, engineering and aerospace equipment, and iron castings have taken a hit. The Russia-Ukraine war, followed by the Israel-Palestine and Israel-Iran conflict have impacted the state's exports, according to industrialists here. However, export of defence items to Israel has grown manifold.

"Export of automobile components from Bengaluru, Hubballi and Belagavi to Sweden, Germany and the Czech Republic has been impacted significantly due to the crisis in West Asia," CR Janardhana, former president of the Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry, told *TNIE*.

He said an industrialist, whose components were most sought after by the aerospace industry globally, was impacted so badly that he has shifted his business to the defence sector."

MJ Prasad of Accutech Enterprises in Peenya, said, "We supply aerospace hydraulic tools and mechanical components to transportation systems in the US, Europe and Switzerland. The transportation costs through the sea have gone up due to the crisis in West Asia. The volume of orders placed has dipped by 30% to 40%."

"Our foreign exchange reserves last week went down by $ 3.5 billion. This is an indication of the plummeting export business. From $701 billion per week, it dipped, instead of the usual trend of growth witnessed week on week," said Dr Jacob Crasta, national executive committee member of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI). **P5**

PRESIDENT IN ALGERIA

President Droupadi Murmu met her Algerian counterpart Abdelmadjid Tebboune in Algiers on Monday to review bilateral relations, and agreed to strengthen ties across sectors.

ALMANAC TODAY
Tuesday: 15.10.2024 • Year: Krodhi • Ayana: Dakshinayana • Ritu: Sharad • Masa: Ashwayuja • Paksha: Shukla • Tithi: Thrayodasi 09.56 pm • Nakshatra: Purvabhadra 08.46 pm • Moon in Meena Rashi • Rahukaala: 03:00 am to 04:30 am • Gulikakala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • Yamaganda: 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 27°C
FORECAST
Showers late. Overcast

Sunrise 06.10 am
Sunset 06.00 pm
Moonrise 04.25 pm
Moonset 03.48 am

WASTE COLLECTED | Oct 12 6,306* | Oct 13 5,561 | Oct 14 5,866
*in metric tonnes

BBMP workers clear waste generated during the Dasara festival at a market

Dasara festival leaves Palike grappling with mounds of garbage

BBMP collects 17,733 MT of waste in last 3 days against daily collection of 4,900 MT

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IN the backdrop of the three-day Dasara festival, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) collected 6,306 metric tonnes (MT) of waste from across eight zones on October 12 against the normal daily collection of approximately 4,900 MT.

Officials attached to the Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Ltd said during the Dasara festival, plantain leaves and stems, pumpkins and flowers were sold in all markets and on roadsides for Ayudha Puja. The unsold items were left behind by sellers and BSWML has been continuously cleaning them.

"Approximately, 4,900 MT of waste is generated in the city every day. But during this Dasara festival, 6,306 MT waste was generated on October 12, 5,561 MT on October 13 and 5,866 MT on October 14. Raw waste was disposed of at treatment plants and mixed waste at the landfill," said an engineer with BSWML.

In the last two days (Saturday and Sunday), 414 MT of waste has been disposed of from 12 markets, including major ones like KR Market, Gandhi Bazaar, Devasandra, KR Pura, Malleswaram, Madiwala and Russel Market and Palike Bazaar. On Monday, more than 150 MT of waste was disposed of, the official added.

Due to the excess production of waste in the market and roadsides, health officials, senior engineers and marshals of the solid waste department were deployed in respective zones. Additional earthmovers were used to collect the garbage. Auto tippers and compactors did repeated trips in most of the wards to collect and dispose of garbage.

Rare comet likely to dazzle morning skies this month

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

SKYWATCHERS are in for a rare celestial spectacle as the Comet C/2023 A3 (Tsuchinshan-ATLAS) is expected to be visible in the early morning skies until October 20. This comet, which has travelled for thousands of years from the distant reaches of the solar system, could become one of the brightest objects in the sky.

What makes this comet special is not only its potential brightness, but also the fact that this is a once-in-a-lifetime event -- C/2023 A3 won't return for tens of thousands of years, making it a unique opportunity for stargazers.

Dr BS Shylaja, scientist and former director of the Jawaharlal Planetarium, said the comet was discovered by two observatories earlier this year--the Tsuchinshan Observatory in China and the ATLAS (Asteroid Terrestrial-impact Last Alert System) project. Hence it bears the name C/2023 A3 (Tsuchinshan-ATLAS), with "C" indicating that it is a non-periodic comet and "2023 A3" reflecting its identification in early January 2023. Tsuchinshan and ATLAS are credited for spotting it independently, and its name honours both observatories.

"As Comet C/2023 A3 nears the Sun, it will form a glowing atmosphere, known as a coma, and a long tail made of dust and gas that stretches for millions of kilometres," Dr Shylaja said, adding that this tail will create a stunning sight as it reflects the sunlight.

However, there is a possibility that the comet could break apart due to the Sun's intense heat and gravitational forces, but if it holds together, it promises to be one of the most brilliant comets seen in recent years, she added.

Dr BR Guruprasad, Director of the Planetarium, said, "C/2023 A3 (Tsuchinshan-ATLAS) comet is truly unique, taking about 80,000 years to complete one orbit around the Sun, so it is something none of us will see again in our lifetime. However, comets are notoriously unpredictable — some, expected to be brilliant, end up fading out. We're still waiting to see how bright this one will get."

In the first week of November, another comet is expected to be visible in the morning sky. With advancements in technology and modelling, scientists mentioned that they hope to improve the ability to predict how these comets will behave in the future. However, they highlighted that a degree of uncertainty will always remain as each comet can exhibit unique and unpredictable characteristics.

Work begins on flagship business park inside KIA

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WORK on the ambitious 2 million sqft business park inside the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) began on Monday. The Bengaluru Airport City Ltd (BACL), a subsidiary of airport operator Bangalore International Airport Ltd, is building the park with the aim of establishing Bengaluru as a hub for Global Capacity Centres (GCCs).

An official release said the airport city will host a network of business parks comprising 52% of the overall development, and the flagship business park is designed to boost collaboration and innovation.

The Karnataka government's new GCC Policy for 2024-2029 seeks to create 3.5 lakh jobs and contribute $50 billion to the economy, it said.

"The business park will be spread across 17.7 acres and consist of four blocks, each of 0.5 million sqft, nestled within an urban forest. The biophilic design integrates lush gardens, landscaped balconies and green spaces that enhance the overall wellbeing of the business community, promoting a balance between nature and productivity," the release said. The upcoming Airport West Metro station, located within walking distance from the business park, will enhance connectivity to the city centre.

State control over Gr A appointments a safeguard: HC

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THE Karnataka High Court has dismissed a petition filed by the BBMP Officer and Employees Welfare Association questioning the constitutional validity of Rule 4(a) of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (General Cadre and Recruitment of Officers and Employees) Rules, 2018, over the state's control of Group 'A' officers appointments in the civic body.

"The state's reserved power to appoint Group A officers under Rule 4(a) of the BBMP Recruitment Rules is a constitutional safeguard that ensures efficiency, competency and alignment with broader state policies. Judicial precedents have reinforced the state's supervisory role over local bodies, ensuring that strategic, merit-based and non-partisan appointments are made to these senior positions. This power preserves the delicate balance between local governance autonomy and state control necessary for effective and uniform public administration," the court said.

While dismissing the petition, Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum stated that the petitioner has not placed any material evidence to demonstrate that the state government has exceeded its authority, or acted in contravention of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976, or the BBMP Act, 2020, in framing Rule 4(a).

"The state's retention of power to appoint Group A officers is in line with its statutory powers and administrative control over local bodies like the BBMP, which is financially and functionally dependent on the state," the court said.

The court further stated that another important aspect of state control over Group A appointments is to safeguard these positions from local political interference.

The state government's direct involvement ensures that appointments are based on objective criteria rather than local political dynamics, which may skew recruitment for short-term political gains, the court added.

The association contended that Chapter VI of the BBMP Act regulates the appointment and conditions of service of corporation officers since the municipal governance of Bengaluru exclusively vests with the BBMP.

The court, however, stated that senior appointments, particularly for Group A officers, have strategic importance. These officers influence policy implementation, development projects and administrative decision-making. The state's control over these appointments is essential for the coordination of state-wide development policies, especially in a city like Bengaluru, where urban development and governance are crucial to the state's economic growth.

CALL FOR ACTION

Aspirants for the post of 545 police sub-inspectors stage a protest seeking release of the selection list, at Freedom Park on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

ISRO bags int'l award for Chandrayaan-3

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SSOMANATH, Chairman, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), and Secretary, Department of Space, received the International Astronautical Federation (IAF) World Space Award for the achievements of Chandrayaan-3.

An official release from ISRO stated that the recognition celebrates India's contribution to space exploration. "Celebrations underway in Milan as we continue to strive for new frontiers," ISRO posted on 'X' on Monday.

The award ceremony was held on October 14 during the 75th International Astronautical Congress in Milan, Italy. The IAF recognised the mission's achievement where India was the first country to land near the lunar South Pole on August 23, 2023.

The IAF on its website posted: "Chandrayaan-3 mission by ISRO exemplifies the synergy of scientific curiosity and cost-effective engineering, symbolising India's commitment to excellence and the vast potential that space exploration offers humanity. Rapidly unveiling previously undiscovered facets of the Moon's composition and geology, the mission stands as a global testament to innovation.

Achieving a historic milestone, Chandrayaan-3 becomes the first to touch down near the lunar South Pole, showcasing both aspiration and technological prowess on an international scale."

India is also among the elite group of nations like United States, Russia and China to have completed a successful soft landing on the Moon's surface.

At the event, scientists also made a special note of the lander Vikram and rover Pragyan, which were designed to explore the Moon's surface and conduct experiments to better understand the Moon's composition and geology.

EXPRESS READ

PES holds orientation for first-year MBBS students

Bengaluru: The orientation and inauguration ceremony for first-year MBBS students was held at PES University's Electronics City campus on October 13. Medical Education Minister Dr Sharanprakash Patil emphasised the importance of strong communication skills in medicine, enabling doctors to connect with patients and foster trust in them. Dr Patil advised students to serve society with empathy, honesty and dedication and also urged them to have humility, shoulder responsibility and maintain high ethical conduct and standards throughout their life. "PES sets high standards, it is the responsibility of the student to effectively use all the facilities provided by the university and live up to the expectations of the university." Dr Achal Gulati, V-C of Mahatma Gandhi University of Medical Sciences & Technology, and Dr M R Doreswamy, Prof D Jawahar, and Dr J Suryaprasad, Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor, respectively, of PES University were present. ENS

New bus service from Tin Factory to Vijayapura

Bengaluru: The Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) has introduced a new bus route — 316-Z — from Tin Factory in KR Puram to Vijayapura. Two non-AC buses will run on the new route, which will be operational from Wednesday, said a press release from BMTC on Monday. ENS

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

15th October : Magical Mercury just changed its position! This is one of those points that a great many astrologers pay attention to - sometimes, too much! If you have been suffering from delays then the theory is that things should now begin to move again. Of course, you may have to put in some extra effort.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You can now begin to feel a great deal more confident as far as joint financial arrangements are concerned. All may not be sweetness and light, but at least there will be a willingness to reach agreement. And that, it has to be said, is an excellent start.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Contrary to your sign's supposedly conventional nature, you have some quite individual and unusual aspirations. Today, you must strike out on your own, forging a unique path to the future. In fact, that's advice I'd give you most days over the present remarkable time.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
After today, romantic arrangements may begin to come unstuck, perhaps because friends start standing up for themselves. In some cases, this may be a relief, while in others you will be offered plenty of opportunities to correct any misunderstandings.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You will now be seeing that there is much to be gained from taking a creative approach, developing your individual talents, rejecting pointless social constraints and letting your special form of spontaneity flow. You're also hitting an adventurous phase, by the way, so you'll soon be considering options and alternatives that you never thought were for you.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
What can you do when the stars indicate that you're still in a costly phase? Probably no more than pay up when the bills come rolling in. However, you should have taken steps by now to boost your earnings. Also, if a relationship still seems like an uphill struggle, then give it a few more weeks before you decide to get fed up!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You can now afford to look forward to a rest, even though there'll be moments when you feel as if you are still rushing along at breakneck speed, sweeping all lesser mortals and beings aside. However, it seems to be the case that much of your energy actually comes from other people - and perhaps from a new partnership.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
The Moon will cheer you up, especially when it forms some very helpful celestial relationships to parts of your chart which stimulate your vivid imagination. If all goes according to plan, this could be the time when you hear some welcome and very overdue news.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You may leave more stressful issues until tomorrow and concentrate on home and family arrangements. It's an ideal moment for discussing plans and finalising agreements, especially if money is on your mind, and particularly if you're prepared for the unknown!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Events that take place at the end of the week should clear away a lot of the debris, emotional and otherwise, at home. Until then, press ahead with whatever ambitious professional projects are in the pipeline - and make sure that everyone who needs to know what you're up to, does know.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Pull every string you can if you want to sustain your position at work or in the community. You may, though, be obliged to put certain important matters on the back-burner for the next fortnight. But your judgment will have to be impeccable - nothing less will do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Although there have been times when you have felt isolated and excluded from what seems to be going on all around you, other people should now be in a position to reassure you. Listen closely to what partners are really trying to say, especially if cash considerations are looming.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your long-term financial plans may now have to be reconsidered. The reason is not clear, and may be no more than that you have decided on one sort of investment suiting your purposes much better than another. But an additional factor is that a team enterprise could add to your funds.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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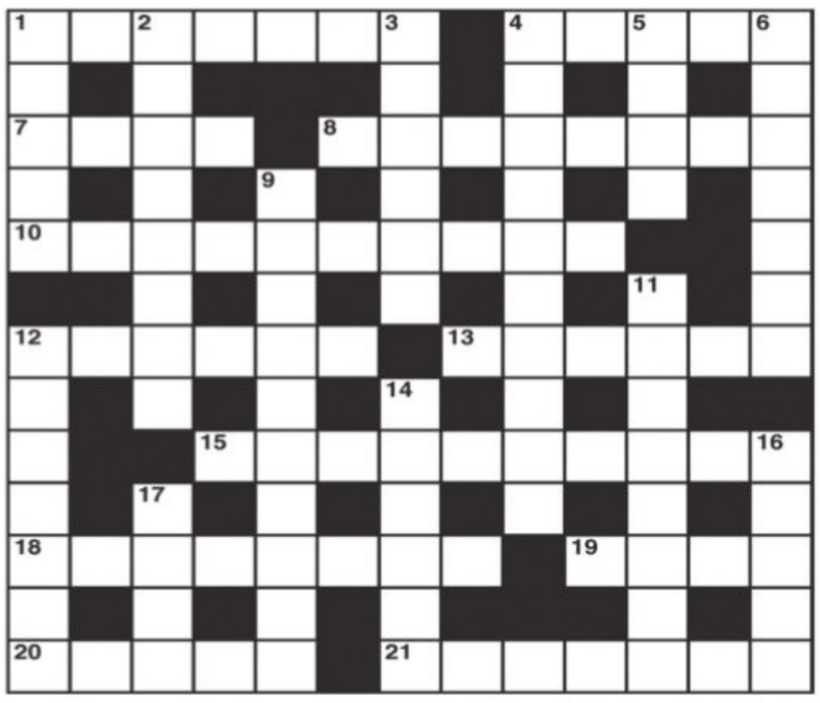

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Producer of a graceful child (7)
4 Rise and dress (3,2)
7 Fairly big orderly (4)
8 Went and made good (8)
10 Very poor description of how one fell unconscious (4,3,3)
12 A boss without a place to feed (6)
13 Run out of clothes (6)
15 Prime trees doomed (5,2,3)
18 Used by a boxer without a ring? (8)
19 A soldier with small feet is present (4)
20 Were upset about a point but start again (5)
21 Children's playthings? (7)

DOWN
1 Carried to a man (5)
2 Willing to finish in debt (8)
3 Bears show dividends (6)
4 Marking a successful examination result (10)
5 Word used to describe schooldays (4)
6 Key man uses it as a hanger-on in security work (7)
9 A violinist may do this before and after playing (4,3,3)
11 Annul even in court? (3,5)
12 Turn or intend to turn communist (7)
14 Good man in a new role looking after horses (6)
16 Loud note from flutes in the string orchestra (5)
17 The final word in a lament (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Consumption, 9 Iranian, 10 Slump, 11 Goes, 12 Et cetera, 14 Recast, 16 Suited, 18 Response, 19 Ammo, 22 Nooks, 23 Abandon, 24 At a distance.

Down: 2 Orate, 3 Skit, 4 Minute, 5 Tasteful, 6 Opulent, 7 Fingerprint, 8 Ups and downs, 13 Espoused, 15 Cast out, 17 Oscars, 20 Medic, 21 Gala.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

KASYH

FTNUI

MGALEB

ROHETY

I don't think we knew how expensive sailing was.
Here's another bill. This one's for gas and docking fees.
8/20
HE WAS SHOCKED AT HOW MUCH IT COST TO MAINTAIN A SLOOP, AND HIS WIFE WAS ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: YOUNG GLORY BITTER LOUNGE
Answer: The Stones concert was over, and Mick and the guys were ready — TO GET ROLLING

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A video clip of three inmates of the Kalaburagi Central Jail, consuming ganja and talking to their friends via video calls has gone viral. There are allegations against the jail authorities that some prisoners are being given preferential treatment. It may be recalled here that, actor Darshan's manager who received special hospitality in Parappana Agrahara Jail has been shifted to Kalaburagi Central Jail

CAB DRIVER, THREE OF HIS FAMILY FOUND DEAD

He found wife hanging, children dead on bed; removed wife's body and hanged himself; he was struggling to clear multiple loans

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IN a tragic incident, a family of four, including two minor children, was found dead at their residence on Monday morning in Yediyurappa Nagar of Singanayakanahalli on the outskirts of the city. The Rajanukunte police registered a case and are investigating.

The deceased have been identified as Avinash (33), a cab driver, his wife Mamatha (30), a housewife, their son Adhir (5), and daughter Anaya (3). The couple from Kalaburagi was living in a rented house for the past five years. Sources said that Avinash's brother Uday, who also lived with them and worked as a teacher at a private school, had travelled to their hometown for the festival and returned Monday morning. When he knocked on the door, there was no response. When he looked through the window, he saw Avinash hanging in the room, with Mamatha and the children lying on the bed. Uday

immediately alerted the police, who rushed to the spot and confirmed the deaths. The bodies were sent for post-mortem, and no suicide note was found, officials said.

A senior police officer told TNIE that Avinash had gone to work on Sunday and when he returned home, he found his children dead on the bed and his wife hanging. After removing her body, he later died by suicide. Preliminary investigations revealed that Avinash, who was struggling to clear multiple loans he had taken, had asked his father-in-law for financial help, but was unable to receive support. The police suspect that Mamtha may have strangled her two children and then killed herself. Bengaluru Rural SP CK Baba told reporters that the police have registered two cases and are investigating the matter. One case pertains to the unnatural death of Avinash, while the other concerns the deaths of his wife and two children, he said.

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SMOKING BEEDI

Smoking beedi while driving lands KSRTC driver in soup

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A KSRTC bus driver landed himself in trouble by smoking a beedi while driving. A young passenger, who was sitting behind the driver, immediately took a snapshot and recorded a video of the act which has since gone viral on social media.

The driver, whose identity was not known, flouted the norms of the KSRTC which has been warning drivers not to consume tobacco, any masala with tobacco or smoking while driving. The bus was going from Gangavati to Kolhapur when the incident happened. The bus, bearing the registration number KA23 F1045, belongs to the Nippani division of KSRTC.

> We have received some complaints and have seen a video of a driver smoking beedi while driving but have not got more details. We will check where exactly this incident happened and who was the driver and initiate an inquiry and take action accordingly
>
> KSRTC Official

Passengers said that the driver could be seen smoking the beedi with one hand and keeping his other hand on the steering wheel.

Some passengers have complained to the Koppal KSRTC officials saying that a driver has the responsibility of taking hundreds of passengers to their destinations safely. But here is a driver who did not care about their safety while driving and started smoking a beedi.

Passengers have demanded suspension of such drivers who flout the rules and smoke in the presence of children, women and other passengers, despite being fully aware that it is not allowed. Passengers also complained of uneasiness due to the beedi smoke which spread inside the bus.

An official from KSRTC of Gadag said, "We have received some complaints and have seen a video of a driver smoking beedi while driving but have not got more details. We will check where exactly this incident happened and who was the driver and initiate an inquiry and take action accordingly".

Siddu issued 're-do' final notification: Complainants

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SOME aggrieved land owners even went to the Supreme Court, which upheld the HC ruling and added some more parameters for consideration for deletion of lands acquired.

The complainants alleged that Siddaramaiah issued a 're-do' final notification to overcome legal complications by misinterpreting and misusing the court orders and based on this, the BDA deleted several land parcels acquired for formation of the layout, where sites were allotted to the people.

They said this was done after BDA collected money for the sites allotted and also taxes from the allottees.

Due to this, many allottees were affected and some middlemen, with the connivance of BDA officials, made profits at the cost of poor landowners, they said.

Although, the government formed a commission under Justice HS Kempanna to probe illegalities in the formation of Arkavathy Layout, it did not make the report public to protect the accused.

Alleging that the CM along with BDA officials had misused their powers, the complainants urged the governor to grant permission to prosecute them for the alleged illegalities.

George sets target for completing Kusum-C scheme

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ENERGY Minister KJ George on Monday directed his department officials to ensure that feeder-level solar-powered station works are completed under phase-1 of Kusum-C scheme by December-end, 2024.

Anticipating a rise in power demand from January 2025, George also directed the officials to expedite the completion of works for solar power generation and to ensure continues power supply to the feeders.

During a progress review meeting with energy department officials, George said that in addition to accelerating the implementation of the first phase of Kusum-C scheme, there is a need to initiate the tendering process for phase-2 without delay.

> Priority should be given to installing solar pump sets for those who have already submitted applications
>
> KJ George, Energy Minister

He directed the Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd(KPTCL) to take stock of the power supply capacity of each feeder so that all necessary steps are taken to upgrade substations as needed.

The Kusum scheme is a joint initiative of the central and state governments, launched to address farmers' energy needs and to make agriculture more sustainable. Solar energy also aims to provide farmers with financial and water security, George said. "The state has approved 40,000 solar pump sets under the Kusum-B scheme. To meet this target, we must swiftly complete the survey of unauthorised pump sets more than 500 metres from the feeders. Priority should be given to installing solar pump sets for those who have already submitted applications. In the next phase, we will consider applications submitted for additional solar pump sets," he added.

He said 10,151 applications for unauthorised pump sets were registered under the Kusum-B scheme, alongside 27,820 new applications, bringing the total to 37,971. He instructed officials to take necessary steps to ensure the installation of solar pump sets for all these applications within the designated time frame.

George instructed managing directors of all escoms to begin preparations to guarantee sufficient power supply for the upcoming summer. Reviewing the current power situation in the state and with all escoms, George said, "We will ensure adequate power is available to meet next summer's needs. Maintaining transformers and power distribution feeders is essential to ensure an efficient supply." George commended the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) for this year's Dasara decoration and drone show, saying it was most impressive.

STANDING IN AWE

Devotees stand in a queue as Durga idols are immersed in Ulsoor Lake in Bengaluru on Monday | ALLEN EGENUSE J

Spl court grants bail to Nagendra

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A special court on Monday granted bail to former Karnataka minister B Nagendra, who was arrested by the ED in connection with the multi-crore scam in Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation.

Santhosh Ganjanan Bhat, judge of the Special Court to try cases against sitting and former MPs/MLAs, granted bail to Nagendra. The court directed to execute a personal bond for Rs 2 lakh with two sureties. The bail conditions included that he should not threaten and tamper the prosecution witnesses or the complainant; not evade the investigation and to appear before the investigation officer whenever called for investigation.

Nagendra, who is Ballari MLA, is currently lodged at Bengaluru Central Prison in Parappana Agrahara, and is expected to be released on Tuesday. Nagendra, who was then serving as Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Scheduled Tribes Welfare in the Siddaramaiah-led Congress government, resigned after the alleged scam came to light. He was arrested by ED officials on July 12, under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA). The ED in its charge-sheet had termed Nagendra as the "mastermind" of the scam, which is also being probed by a Special Investigation Team (SIT) constituted by the state government and CBI.

The ED had stated that the corporation's account was moved to the MG Road Branch without proper authorisation. Rs 187 crore, including Rs 43.33 crore from the State Treasury under the 'Ganga Kalyana' Scheme, was deposited without following proper procedure and in violation of government guidelines. Further, the central agency stated that the funds were subsequently siphoned off through multiple shell accounts and converted into cash and bullion. The ED charged that an amount of Rs 20.19 crore from the diverted funds was used to support a candidate contesting the 2024 Lok Sabha election from the Ballari constituency, as well as for the personal expenses of Nagendra.

EXPRESS READ

Nimhans resident doctors write to Mamata Banerjee

Bengaluru: The Resident Doctors' Association of Nimhans issued a formal appeal to West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee regarding the critical situation faced by junior doctors in the State. This appeal comes in light of the hunger strike initiated by the West Bengal Junior Doctors' Front (WBJDF), which has raised significant concerns about the welfare of healthcare professionals and the overall healthcare system. In a letter addressed to the CM, RDA President Dr T Seetam Kumar, General Secretary Dr Advait Dixit and Vice President Dr Aradhya Bagchi, emphasised the urgency of the situation. The members highlighted that the ongoing hunger strike has resulted in alarming health deteriorations among the participating doctors, with three already requiring intensive care unit (ICU) admission.

Woman killed as car falls into arecanut plantation

Mangaluru: A woman was killed and two others were injured when their car fell into a roadside arecanut plantation at Babila near Kavalapadur village in Bantwal taluk near here during the wee hours of Monday. The victim is identified as Bhagirathi (62), while her daughter Suchitra (32) and their relative Roopesh (29) are the injured. Police said the trio along with Suchitra's three-year-old son Dwanish were travelling from Tumakuru to Mangaluru when the incident occurred. Roopesh lost control on the vehicle as he was sleepy, because of which the vehicle veered into the plantation. Bhagirathi succumbed to her injuries, while they were rushed to a private hospital in Mangaluru. Dhwanish miraculously escaped unhurt.

College HoD attempts suicide over alleged harassment by principal

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A 44-year-old head of the English Department of SSMRV College in Jayanagar attempted suicide by consuming tablets in the classroom on Monday.

The lecturer resorted to the step, alleging harassment by the college principal and other staff. The Tilaknagar police have registered a case.

The HoD, Shabana, had a meeting with the college principal, who allegedly harassed her, police sources said. After leaving the principal's office, she consumed tablets. The college students, who found her lying unconscious on the ground, alerted the staff, and rushed her to a nearby private hospital.

Though it is alleged that she took the step due to harassment, the Tilaknagar police, who have registered a case, are conducting further investigations to know the exact reason.

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REGISTRAR

Ahead of CM Siddaramaiah holding a cabinet meeting on October 18 to take a decision on the caste census, members of the backward classes will stage a rally in Bengaluru on Wednesday. The procession will start from Sangolli Rayanna statue near KSR Railway Station and culminate for a public meeting at Freedom Park

Parameshwara says cases against CM Yogi were withdrawn by UP govt; Cong favouring certain communities: BJP

WITHDRAWAL OF CASES SUBJECT TO COURT'S NOD: DR G

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

FACING flak over its move to withdraw cases against those accused in riots in Hubballi in 2022, Karnataka Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said that the government's decision is subject to the approval of courts. The government will present its decision before respective courts and cases will be withdrawn only if the courts approve it, otherwise, they will continue, he said.

Speaking to reporters in Bengaluru, the Home Minister said due process has been followed for the withdrawal of cases.

Justifying the government's decision, Dr Parameshwara said 56 cases came before the cabinet sub-committee. Of them, they decided to withdraw 43. They are not just the cases involving minority communities, but also cases against farmers, students as well as common people involved in protests on different occasions, he added.

The BJP's allegations could have been accepted if they had decided to withdraw only the Hubballi cases or if all the 43 cases were related to people from the minority community, he said.

The minister said there is a procedure for withdrawing cases if false cases are registered, relevant sections are not invoked and a petition is given alleging that the case registered is different from the nature of the incident.

A cabinet sub-committee headed by the Home Minister sends such petitions to the Home Department to get details about FIR, lapses in collecting evidence, and all details.

A petition regarding the Hubballi case was submitted. It was discussed that there was no need for registering cases against so many people and the cabinet took the decision to withdraw the cases, he said. The minister said many cases were withdrawn when the BJP was in power in the state and it is done in many BJP-ruled states too. Cases against Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath were withdrawn by the UP government, he said.

On AICC president Mallikarjuna Kharge's son and chairman of Siddhartha Trust Rahul Kharge returning 5-acre land to KIADB, Dr Parameshwara said it was done as false allegations were made against them. He said that the BJP is trying to politicise everything.

> They are not just cases involving the minority communities, but also cases against farmers, students as well as common people involved in protests on different occasions
>
> Dr G Parameshwara, Karnataka Home Minister

> By withdrawing the cases against those miscreants, the Congress government has disregarded the serious nature of violence, which involved attacks on police personnel and public property
>
> BJP in a memorandum to Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot

BJP leaders, including state party chief BY Vijayendra and LoP in Assembly R Ashoka, protest against the State Government's decision to withdraw cases against those accused in the 2022 Hubballi riots, in Bengaluru on Monday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

No less than acts of terrorism: BJP

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THE memorandum signed by BJP state president BY Vijayendra and Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R Ashoka stated that political pressure on the Congress government might have played a pivotal role in the decision to withdraw the cases. This decision can be seen as another instance of the Congress government favouring certain communities at the cost of justice. Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC president DK Shivakumar had personally written to the government requesting it to drop the cases, it said.

The decision would be a setback to the police department as several personnel were seriously injured in the violence. High-ranking police officers have reportedly expressed concerns over the decision. "The Hubballi incidents were no less than acts of terrorism. While the police and judiciary were against dropping those cases, the government has gone against them," the memorandum said.

HM to chair meet on classification of SC reservation

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

WITH the momentum gaining for subclassification of Scheduled Caste quota, Home Minister **Dr G Parameshwara** has taken the responsibility of navigating the touchy issue to firewall the Congress government from rough weather.

Parameshwara, who is a Dalit leader, is likely to chair the meeting of SC community legislators on October 21 at Vidhana Soudha to take a final decision and to submit a report to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, sources said.

Social Welfare Minister Dr HC Mahadevappa, Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa, RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge, Backward Classes Welfare Minister Shivaraj Tangadagi, Assembly Deputy Speaker Rudrappa M Lamani, among others, are expected to attend the meeting.

Already, a committee headed by Malavalli MLA PM Narendraswamy, with members, including MLC Sudham Das, has held several rounds of deliberations on how to go about classifying the quota.

The committee feels that the decision taken by the previous Basavaraj Bommai cabinet is not scientific, a source said. The Bommai government had based its position on the report submitted by the then subcommittee headed by then Law Minister JC Madhu Swamy. The Bommai government increased the SC quota from 15 to 17 per cent and reallocated reservation, assuming that the SC population has increased, though there was no accurate data of different communities.

If the government releases the socio-economic and educational survey, also known as caste census, it will come in handy with the SC quota subclassification. The Siddaramaiah cabinet is meeting on October 18 to decide whether to make the caste census public.

"All leaders from the SC category agreed to the classification, but insisted that it should be scientific with accurate data. We will take all the leaders into confidence," a legislator told TNIE.

Meanwhile, a group of SC (left) community leaders from Congress is planning to meet Rahul Gandhi, leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha, as they feel the government is delaying the implementation of classification of quota despite a Supreme Court order of August 1.

THE NIGHT THAT OLD HUBBALLI WENT OUT OF CONTROL

PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA @ Hubballi

THE violence in the Old Hubballi area in 2022 is in the news again with the Congress government withdrawing all cases related to the incident. While the government move has been strongly criticised by opposition parties, ministers and Congress leaders are defending the government action.

It was on the evening of April 16, 2022 that the situation in Old Hubballi turned tense when a youngster's social media status with derogatory remarks against Muslims went viral. People from the community in the area, which is dominated by Muslims, were angry and went to the Old Hubballi police station and filed a complaint, seeking the arrest of the youngster.

The police acted swiftly and arrested the youth. But the angry crowd that had gathered outside the police station demanded that he be handed over to them. Even as police officers were talking to community leaders, some miscreants from the group threw stones at the policemen, their vehicles and the station. When the mob went out of control, the police resorted to a lathi-charge and also fired rubber bullets to rein in the mob.

As the mob started attacking the general public and nearby temples, the police lobbed tear gas shells and also opened 13 rounds of fire, which brought the situation under control. As many as 12 police personnel, including an inspector, were injured on that night of violence. The police later went through video recordings of the incident and arrested over 150 people over the next few days.

In addition to invoking charges of arson and interrupting public servants in their duty, some were charged under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), which are widely known as terror charges. Though the incident was not severe enough to invoke such a stringent charge, the then government defended it by drawing similarities with the violent incidents reported at DG Halli and KG Halli in Bengaluru.

Until BJP was in power, the accused were languishing in jails and their attempt to get bail was foiled. After Congress came to power in 2023, hopes of the accused increased as the Siddaramaiah government made it clear that it could withdraw cases against them. The Supreme Court granted bail to 35 accused in December, while 111 others received bail from the Karnataka High Court in February this year. Finally, the government decided to withdraw cases.

CM starts campaign in Sandur, says BJP conspiring against him

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @ Sandur (Ballari district)

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday accused the BJP of conspiring against him and indulging in a smear campaign against his government in the state. He was speaking after inaugurating a convention of beneficiaries of the five guarantee schemes in Sandur in Ballari district. He also dedicated completed projects worth over Rs 400 crore to the people of Sandur and also initiated various works.

Sandur will go to bypolls after Congress' E Tukaram was elected to the Lok Sabha early this year. The CM urged the voters of Sandur to ensure a Congress win in the upcoming bypolls and teach a lesson to the BJP. Siddaramaiah said that the State Government has successfully implemented the five guarantees promised ahead of the 2023 Assembly elections. "While we have fulfilled our promises, the BJP simply spreads lies. Also, 12,000 houses are being built in the region, which can make a significant difference to the people of Sandur," the CM added.

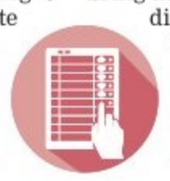
Siddaramaiah also hit out at the Union Government over what he called bias in tax shares. "Karnataka is one of the top states in tax contributions, but we are denied our rightful share," he said. BJP leaders from Karnataka, including state party chief BY Vijayendra, don't have the courage to demand the state's dues from the Centre, he said. "This is a betrayal of the people of Sandur and Karnataka," he added. DyCM and state Congress president DK Shivakumar said that the BJP in the past had criticised the five guarantees, but now even they have realised how the schemes are popular among the people.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah greets the gathering at a convention in Sandur, Ballari district, on Monday | EXPRESS

Will dynasties rule the roost in bypolls?

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

WITH the Election Commission of India expected to declare the dates for the bypolls to three Assembly constituencies—Sandur, Channapatna, and Shiggaon—in Karnataka soon, the Big 3 political parties in the state have started their preparations. While the Congress will fight the bypolls alone, the BJP and JDS are in an alliance.



Children of three politicians—Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy's son Nikhil (JDS) for Channapatna, Haveri MP Basavaraj Bommai's son Bharat (BJP) for Shiggaon, and Ballari MP E Tukaram's daughter Souparnika (Congress) for Sandur are likely to be the candidates. Kumaraswamy, Bommai, and Tukaram vacated their respective seats after they were elected to the Lok Sabha.

Meanwhile, Tukaram's wife E Annapoorna's name is also doing the rounds after Ballari district in-charge minister BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan proposed it as a safe bet, said sources. Khan has been given the task of ensuring a victory for the Congress in Sandur.

"Fielding family members is considered by all parties as a safe bet. Fielding their kin will also help them continue having a hold on their former constituencies," said a political expert.

In Channapatna, KPCC chief and DyCM DK Shivakumar's younger brother DK Suresh is likely to be the Congress candidate if there is pressure from local leaders and if CM Siddaramaiah proposes his name.

Former minister and BJP MLC CP Yogeshwar is also lobbying strongly to become the NDA candidate. In Shiggaon, the names of Sri Channabasaveshwara Swamiji of Doddahunase Kalmata of Savanur and former minister R Shankar, a Kuruba, are in the race for a Congress ticket.

Apart from Bharath Bommai, Shashidhar Eligar, a close associate of Bommai, and Srikanth Dundigoudra are in the race for a BJP ticket.

CHANNAPATNA CANDIDATE WILL BE DECIDED AFTER BJP-JDS MEET IN DELHI: KUMARASWAMY

BR UDAYA KUMAR @ Arkalgud (Hassan district)

Expressing confidence of retaining the Channapatna Assembly constituency, Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy said on Monday that the BJP-JDS candidate will be finalised at a meeting of senior leaders of alliance parties in New Delhi soon. He told reporters at Bidarakka of Arkalgud taluk that alliance leaders are all set to face the by-election, which is likely to be declared by the Election Commission anytime now. Kumaraswamy said he too could be a candidate as DyCM DK Shivakumar has announced that he might contest the bypoll. "There are many aspirants from alliance parties for the ticket, but the final decision will be taken after a discussion among top leaders of both parties," he added. Criticising the Congress government for withdrawing cases against those involved in the 2022 Hubballi riots case, he said it is not fair to pull out cases against anti-social elements and anti-nationals. To a question on the pathetic state of Shiradi Ghat stretch on the Bengaluru-Mangaluru National Highway 75, he said it will be taken up with Union Surface Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari. He requested Gadkari to visit the spot and take stock of the situation.

EXPRESS READ

SNEHAMAYI KRISHNA SEEKS SIDDU'S INTERROGATION IN MUDA CASE

Mysuru: Social activist Snehamai Krishna has demanded the interrogation of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah as an FIR has been filed against him in connection with the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) case, which is being probed by the Lokayukta police. Krishna is one of the complainants in the alleged Mysuru Ueban Development Authority scam. Speaking to the media after submitting a 25-page document at the Lokayukta office in Mysuru on Monday, Krishna said, "I have submitted all information to the Lokayukta SP, citing elements from the CM's writ petition submitted to the High Court. The CM has withheld crucial information from the High Court, and I have brought this to the Lokayukta's attention. In my letter, I have also mentioned the issue of whitener used to cover certain details, which should be thoroughly investigated." Krishna also raised concerns about Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) spokesperson M Lakshmana frequently visiting the Lokayukta office. In light of this, he called for the installation of CCTV cameras at the Lokayukta office, as per Supreme Court directives, to ensure transparency in proceedings. **ENS**

WATER MATTERS

Karjol vows to push for funds for Upper Bhadra Project

BANSY KALAPPA @ Benglauru

IN response to repeated criticisms from Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and the Congress over the delay in releasing Rs 5,300 crore announced in the Union Budget for the Upper Bhadra Project, former water resources minister **Govind Karjol**, now an MP from Chitradurga, has stressed on the urgent need to release the funds.

The Upper Bhadra Project, designated a national irrigation project, is seen as a vital scheme to address the severe water scarcity plaguing Central Karnataka.

Karjol recalled that Chitradurga is currently the second-most drought-prone district in the country, surpassed only by parts of Rajasthan. He emphasised the urgent need for the release of funds, assuring that he would take up the matter with Central authorities shortly. "If this project is realised, it will resolve all water-related issues in Chitradurga," Karjol told *The New Indian Express*.

Recalling his tenure as Karnataka's water resources minister, Karjol mentioned his previous efforts alongside former CM Basavaraj Bommai to address the delay in releasing funds. "We travelled to Delhi for meetings with department heads to push for the Upper Bhadra project's implementation. The funds haven't been released owing to technical reasons. But I am well-acquainted with the department's workings and will ensure this issue is resolved," Karjol elaborated.

Karjol also noted that while Vijayapura was previously the most drought-prone region in Karnataka, Chitradurga has now taken that unfortunate distinction.

He stressed that the entire district has been severely impacted by erratic monsoons, leaving agriculture and livelihoods vulnerable. However, he expressed optimism that if the Upper Bhadra project is successfully implemented, it would rejuvenate water tanks and irrigation networks, transforming the district and making it greener.

On the broader issue of development, Karjol lamented that large-scale projects previously initiated in the district, such as those by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) had failed to generate significant employment for locals. He called for more job-generating initiatives that could contribute to the overall development of Chitradurga district.

Four members of a family, including two children, were found dead at their residence at Kakkad in Kochi on Monday. The deceased are Renjith, 42, his wife Reshmi, 38, son Adhi, 12, and daughter Adhya, 9

Red alert! Heavy rain in 9 TN dists, Pondy

Cars parked on the Velachery bridge in Chennai in anticipation of widespread flooding from rain | MARTIN LOUIS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

THE regional meteorological centre (RMC) has issued a red alert to nine districts, including Chennai, in Tamil Nadu, and Puducherry for Wednesday. While heavy to very heavy rain is expected at a few places, extremely heavy rain is likely at one or two places over Tiruvallur, Chennai, Kancheepuram, Chengalpattu, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Mayiladuthurai, Nagapattinam and Tiruvarur districts, and Puducherry and Karaikal regions.

On Sunday, the RMC had issued an orange alert to Chennai and surrounding districts with the possibility of extremely heavy rains in isolated places on Wednesday. However, it has been changed to red alert as extremely heavy rainfall is likely in one or two places. The extremely heavy rainfall alert is issued when there is a possibility of a region receiving more than 20.4cm of rainfall.

An orange alert has been issued for Ranipet, Tiruvannamalai, Kallakurichi, Perambalur, Ariyalur and Thanjavur for heavy to very heavy rain for Wednesday.

The met department has issued an orange alert with the possibility of heavy to very heavy rain at a few places and extremely heavy rain at one or two places over Mayiladuthurai, Nagapattinam and Tiruvarur districts and Karaikal region on Tuesday. Heavy to very heavy rain is likely at over isolated places in Ranipet, Tiruvallur, Chennai, Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram, Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram, Cuddalore, Kallakurichi, Ariyalur, Perambalur and Thanjavur districts and Puducherry on the same day.

IMD forecasts rain for next 4 days in K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

INDIA Meteorological Department has forecast rainfall over most parts of Karnataka for the next four days.

According to weathermen, there is a trough over central Arabian Sea to Comorin area across south Kerala and cyclonic circulation over Tamil Nadu between 3.1 km and 5.8 km above mean sea level. There is a low pressure area over southeast Bay of Bengal. There is also a cyclonic circulation over westcentral Bay of Bengal off south coastal Andhara Pradesh extending 5.8 km above mean sea level.

IMD senior scientist C S Patil said in wake of the formation of the various systems, most parts of the state will experience light to heavy rainfall. It could extend till October 20.

As per IMD data, from October 1- 14, the state as a whole has received 87.3 mm rainfall, against the forecast normal of 74.7 mm rainfall, recorded a 17% rise in rainfall. South interior Karnataka recorded 101.4mm rainfall, a 36% excess, against the normal of 74.8mm. While north interior Karnataka recorded a 2% deficit. It received 64.2mm rainfall against the normal forecast of 65.7mm. Coastal Karnataka recorded 2% excess rainfall. The sub-division received 115mm against the normal forecast of 112.3mm rainfall. In the 24-hour period ending at 8.30am on October 14, the state recorded an average of 5.6mm rainfall. Bengaluru urban received average of 2.5mm rainfall.

3-HOUR DISCUSSION

Kerala Assembly's resolution flays Centre for delaying Wayanad aid

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ T'Puram

THE Kerala Assembly on Monday unanimously adopted a resolution against the Centre's unreasonable delay in extending aid to the landslide-hit Wayanad. The resolution, passed after a three-hour adjournment discussion, urged the Centre to immediately release financial assistance as demanded by the state and to write off all bank loans of the affected people. The members pointed out that the delay in getting the Central aid would adversely impact the rehabilitation of survivors.

Alleging bias, the strongly worded resolution said although the landslide at Meppadi in Wayanad on July 30 falls in the 'disaster of severe nature' category that wiped out an entire region of the district, the Union government has not released any funds so far. It termed the Centre's attitude disheartening, noting that other states that faced natural calamities have got financial aid even without asking for it.

Speaker A N Shamseer allowed a debate on the subject after Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan agreed to the Opposition's demand to discuss the matter in detail through an adjournment motion. Though the Speaker and Parliamentary Affairs Minister M B Rajesh pointed out that the government had already given a detailed statement, members of the Opposition insisted on a thorough discussion.

Replying to the motion, Vijayan said two townships with 1,000 houses will be built to rehabilitate survivors. Opposition leader V D Satheesan urged the state government to exert more pressure on the Centre to release the funds.

Congress MLA T Siddique, who represents Kalpetta in Wayanad, said people had high hopes after Modi's visit but they are now asking if he came there just for a photo shoot.

EXPRESS READ

Investigate use of alcohol, drugs on movie sets: Kerala HC to SIT

Kochi: The Kerala High Court has directed the SIT probing the complaints of sexual harassment in the Malayalam film industry to investigate the widespread use of alcohol and drugs on movie sets and related workplaces. The directive was issued in response to a batch of petitions filed in connection with the Justice Hema Committee report. The court highlighted that the Hema committee report revealed rampant use of alcohol and drugs at shooting locations of Malayalam films and other related workplaces.

VD Satheesan writes to Kerala CM about spot booking at Sabrimala

Thiruvananthapuram: The Leader of Opposition V D Satheesan has written a letter to Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan and Devaswom Minister V Sivankutty, requesting the reinstatement of spot booking at Sabarimala. Congress state president K Sudhakaran, senior Congress MP Shashi Tharoor and former MP K Muraleedharan have also voiced their support for the reintroduction of spot booking at Sabarimala. Tharoor criticised the decision to halt spot booking in Sabarimala, characterising it as challenging for the devotees.

Need staff who know Kannada in banks, KDA chief urges FM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

KANNADA Development Authority Chairman Purushothama Bilimale has written to Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, urging that banks and post offices be instructed to depute staff who can speak the local language.

In his letter, Bilimale pointed to several incidents of altercations between staff and customers, calling upon the deployment of staff well-versed in the local language.

Bilimale told Sitharaman that she was also vocal in asking banks to review staff posted in branches, about their communication skills in local languages. "It was good to know that you had instructed banks that the staff who could not communicate in the local language should be kept away from customer-facing jobs. It's been two years, but this has not been implemented," he claimed.

Further, he said it is not just the right of every state to demand services for their people in the language of the land, but also an issue of respecting the cultural values, which everyone is bound to adhere to. "I sincerely request you to instruct the banking sector and post offices to strictly adhere to the instructions issued," he added.

'Elections in US also impacting exports from K'taka'

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SACHIN Sabnis, managing director, Belgaum Ferrocast India Private Ltd, Belagavi, said, "We export iron castings to North America and Europe, which are used for pumps in the oil and natural gas industry. The shipping route is through the Suez Canal and the West Asia crisis directly impacts transport of goods. Everything has slowed down. From 100 tonnes each month, my exports dipped to just 60 tonnes in the last four months. The US elections next month too have reduced export orders from that country. Another issue is the shortage of containers. The 40-tonne containers are manufactured by China for the world."

Uday Joshi of Mahalakshmi Engineering in Belagavi said, "We export automobile and hydraulic components to a company, which distributes them in the US. There has been a 30% dip in my business."

MD Balakrishnan, who is into LPG business, said, "For my business, the Iran-Israel crisis does not impact. However, the Russia-Ukraine war has taken its toll on my business as India imports petroleum products from Russia."

DEF EXPORTS TO ISRAEL UP

Spacenex Aero Pvt Ltd at Aerospace Park in Devanahalli is seeing a surge in its exports in the defence sector. "We supply equipment for fighter jets, iron dome and strategic remote control guns, among others, to Israel. The demand has doubled and tripled in some cases. These are replaceable parts and the war has increased the demand for them," according to a source.

Lingayat leaders point to 15 errors in Sharanara Shakti film

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

LINGAYAT community members, backed by their spiritual leaders, have listed 15 major errors in the controversial movie Sharanara Shakti, saying they are not only factually incorrect, but some are offensive. After watching the movie at a special screening on October 7 in Bengaluru, community leaders have warned that if the movie is released without rectifying the mistakes, legal action will be taken. Filmmakers have, meanwhile, announced that the scheduled release of the movie on October 18 will be postponed.

Retired IAS officer SM Jamadar, general secretary of the Global Lingayat Mahasabha, has issued a notice to film director Dileep Sharma and producer Aradhana Kulkarni, accusing them of incorrectly depicting Lingayat philosophy and beliefs. "Basavanna has been reduced to a mere devotee in the film, stripping him of his status as guru and philosopher," he said. "A scene where Sharana Gollaleshwara kills his father flies in the face of our culture, and the depiction of Chennabasavanna conversing with others while still in Akka Nagamma's womb is nothing short of scandalous."

Jamadar said, "They have corrupted the spiritual legacy of the Lingayat community by including scenes that show Ishtalinga worship with the right hand, which is completely against our belief. Symbols like cows and a bull on Sharana's clothing are misplaced. The omission of Moorusavira Math incident adds to this historical distortion."

While some concerns raised in the film's trailer were addressed, leaders said the most errors remain. "It seems like a failure in basic research and it could have been avoided," Jamadar said. The notice demands that the filmmakers correct the mistakes and rescreen it to the community before its release.

A few days ago, Shankaragouda Biradar, founding president of the National Basava Sainik Organisation, and lawyer Ravi Rathod filed a complaint before the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce, demanding that the film be banned.

Lingayat leaders said that the filmmakers' decision to delay the movie's release could be to accommodate the changes.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my clients **1. Smt. Pyari @ Pyarima** W/o Late Hyder Sab, aged about 86 years, **2. Smt. Shahazadabi @ Shahina** W/o Late Basheer Sab, aged about 64 years, **3. Smt. Mumtaz @ Ammajan** W/o Shariff Sab, aged about 48 years, **4. Smt. Mubeena** W/o Late Basheer Sab, aged about 41 years, all are residing at No. 191-A, 5th Cross, Vinayakanagar, Papanna Layout, Hoskote Town, Hoskote have cancelled the General Power of Attorney dated 09/11/2023 executed at Hoskote before M.Krishnamurthy, Notary Public, Government of Karnataka in respect of the schedule property executed by my clients in favour of Sri. H.K.Abdul Majeed S/o Late Kunjaali Kaaka, aged about 58 years, residing at Near Aksa Masjid, Karnataka Layout, Kannurahalli Road, Hoskote Town, Hoskote. Hence forth the said GPA Holder has no manner of right, title over the schedule property and legal notice was also caused to him. Therefore I hereby notify to all the general public to not to make any sort of transactions in respect of schedule property with the said GPA Holder and if the same is done it will not binds on my clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Sy. No. 63/3, measuring to an extent of 18 guntas, situated at Chokkahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on, **East by:** Sy. No. 63/4 land, **West by:** Sy. No. 63/2 land, **North by:** Sy. No. 63 land and road, **South by:** Sy. No. 63/5B land.

M. V. ANIL KUMAR,
Advocate & Consultant, Office: No. FF 19A, 1st Floor, HHS & HMS Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560002, Ph: No. 9739743593.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The public is hereby notified that my client **Sri. A C Ananthaswamy,** S/o Late. Patel Chikkahanumanthaiah is the absolute owner and title holder of agricultural land bearing Sy No.43/5 measuring 1 Acre 23 Guntas excluding 03 Guntas of kharab, situated at Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk. One Smt. Sharadamma, w/o Sri Thippaiah had created bogus and concocted title documents related to Sy No.43/5 standing in the name of my client. Later, by way of unregistered Sale Deed dated: 26-03-1920 in the name of Sri.Hanumanthappa had mutated khatha in her name vide No. IHC 2/90-91, dated: 23-03-1990 before Tahsildhar, Bangalore South Taluk. On the strength of the mutation, on 20-12-2003 Smt Sharadamma and her children had executed sale deeds in favour of Sri. P V Govindacharyulu, Sri P Madhusudhan and Sri. Keshavamurthy measuring 0-18 guntas each, for which khathas have not been mutated till date. On 31-03-2006, the Assistant Commissioner, Bangalore South Taluk, had cancelled the IHC 2/90-91. Upon cancellation of IHC 2/90-91, Sri. P V Govindacharyulu had instituted a civil suit on Sharadamma and her children. It has come to the notice of my client that Smt Sharadamma and her children, Sri. P V Govindacharyulu, Sri P Madhusudhan and Sri. Keshavamurthy have compromised the matter between themselves and are trying to alienate 0-54 guntas of land in favour of third parties. It is hereby informed that Whoever enteredenters into any kind of transactions without my client's knowledge, shall be liable on their own for the consequences and my client is not responsible in any way whatsoever manner to those transaction pertaining to the Sy No.43/5.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of agricultural land bearing Sy No.43/5, measuring 1 Acre 23 Guntas excluding 03 Guntas situated at Avalahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on:

East by	:	Handihalla
West by	:	Ankappa's property (Road)
North by	:	Minor Mariyappa's property
South by	:	Andanappa's property

Prasanna Simha H K, Advocate, No.1060, 1st Floor, 12th Main, 5th Cross, Raghavendra Block, Srinagara, Bengaluru - 560050.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the NOTICE of the General Public, that **M/s. SIZZLE PROPERTIES DEVELOPER,** A Partnership Firm having its office at No. 290, 6th Cross, Vijaya Bank Colony Main Road, Dodda Banaswadi, BANGALORE 560 043 represented by its Managing Partner/ **Sravan Kumar Reddy K s/o. Late. Chandra Sekhar Reddy K,** are the full & absolute owners of the land/s bearing Sy. No. 14 situated at Kodigehalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring 1 acre 03 guntas, which is morefully described in the schedule below.

It is further notified to the General Public that earlier Sale Deed/s/Confirmation Deed/s with respect to schedule property namely

(i) Sale Deed dated 23/02/2006 executed by Lakshmamma and others in favour of V.Radha registered as Document No.KRI-1- 20017/2005-06 of Book - I stored in C.D. No. KRID 187 in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, K.R.Puram, Bangalore

(ii) Absolute Sale Deed dated 31/01/2004 executed by B.S. Narendra in favour of G. Chandrashekar registered as Document No. 22615/2003-04 of Book - I stored in C.D. No. 131 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, K.R. Puram, Bangalore

(iii) Absolute Sale Deed dated 07/04/2006 executed by G.Chandrashekar in favour of Krishna Reddy registered as Document No. KRI-1-00930/2006-07 of Book - I stored in C.D. No. KRID 204 in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, K.R. Puram, Bangalore, with respect to land bearing Sy. No. 14 measuring 1 acre 03 guntas

(iv) Deed of Confirmation dated 22/10/2020 executed by Manjunatha and others in favour of V. Krishna Reddy registered as Document No. BDH-1-01823/2020-21 of Book -I stored in C.D. No.BDHD 641 in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Bidarahalli, Bangalore and

(v) Deed of Confirmation dated 22/10/2020 executed by Narayana @ Narayanaswamy and others in favour of V. Krishna Reddy registered as Document No. BDH-1-01824/2020-21 of Book -I stored in C.D. No. BDHD 641 in the office of the Senior Sub-Registrar, Bidarahalli, Bangalore, were lost/missing. A Police complaint in this regard was also lodged with Jurisdictional Police/Bangalore City vide Lost Report No. 1245074/2024 dated 18/09/2024. It is hereby requested that if any person/s comes across or finds the same, he/she/they are requested to hand over the same to the below mentioned address and they will be compensated accordingly.

The General Public are hereby further cautioned that if anybody deals with the Schedule Property with any person/s based on the misplaced/lost document mentioned above, it is at their own risk & cost and such person/s will not derive any title over the Schedule Property and in such an event they have no claim of whatsoever nature against **M/s. SIZZLE PROPERTIES DEVELOPER,** nor against the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of land bearing **Sy. No. 14** situated at **KODIGEHALLI VILLAGE, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** measuring **1 acre 03 guntas** and bounded on:-

East by : Muniar Reddy's Property;
West by : Rajanarayan's Property;
North by : Property of Utsavial and Chikkadappa &
South by : Property of Pilla Reddy:

M/s. GANJAM NAGARAJ ASSOCIATES,
Advocates
Office at No. 312, Ground Floor, 21st 'A' Cross, 6th Block, Jayanagar, BANGALORE - 560 070.
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TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited for supply of Helmet with High Voltage Detection Device through e-tendering process with Estimated Cost of Rs. 413.6 Lakhs against MSEDCL advertised Tender on website vide No. MMD/T-HTM1-07/1024 due for submission on dtd. 04.11.2024. For details please visit website: https://etender.mahadiscom.in/eatApp/

'HO PR NO 254 / 24 ' **Chief Engineer (MMD)**

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE WIRELESS

No.1, M. G. Road, Bengaluru-560001. Phone: +91-80-22864626, Email: spwireless@ksp.gov.in

Tender No: KSP/2024-25/IND0201 **Date: 10.10.2024**

Tender Notification (Through e-procurment Portal)

Additional Director General of Police, Communication, Logistics & Modernization, Bengaluru has invited a tender for Design, Supply, Commissioning and Maintenance of Digital VHF Radio Communication Network for **Yadagiri District** through e-procurement portal. Estimated Bid value: **249.97 Lakhs.** Pre-bid meeting on **24/10/2024 at 11.30 Hrs.** The Last date and time for tender submission is **12/11/2024, at 17.00 Hrs.** Further details can be obtained by visiting e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** For more information, please contact the above office.

Sd/-
For Superintendent of Police, Wireless, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/2510/2024-25

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J.P. Nagar II Branch,(0492)
Bangalore
email:cb0492@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

1. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **J. P. Nagar II Branch,** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " Whatever there is" on **30.10.2024** (11.30 A.M. to 12.30A.M), for recovery of **Rs 84,65,983.15** (Rupees Eighty Four lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Three and Paise Fifteen Only) as on 01.10.2024 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **J. P. Nagar II Branch, Bengaluru** of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Ashit B. Kurbet,** Flat B 207, 'B' Block,, Casa Ansal Apartment JP Nagar 3rd Phase, Bangalore - 560 078 and **2. Smt. Priyanka Koppad** W/o. Ashit Bhimappa Kurbet, No. B 207, 'B' Block, Casa Ansal Apartment JP Nagar 3rd Phase, Bangalore - 560 078

Description of the immovable assets: **(Rs.in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	Flat beraing No. 303, 1st Floor, " NEHA SADAN" apartment, located in proeprty beraing Site No. 7, Old Khata No. 193, Present BBMP New municipal No. 730/253/254/11/7, Sy. No. 11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South - 560 068.	46.47	4.647	1.00

2. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **J. P. Nagar II Branch,** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " Whatever there is" on **30.10.2024** (11.30 A.M. to 12.30A.M), for recovery of **Rs 72,54,614.77** (Rupees Seventy two lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred Fourteen and Paise Seventy seven Only) as on 01.10.2024 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **J. P. Nagar II Branch, Bengaluru** of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Ashit B. Kurbet,** Flat B, 207, 'B' Block,, Casa Ansal Apartment JP Nagar 3rd Phase, Bangalore - 560 078 and **2. Smt. Priyanka Koppad** W/o. Ashit Bhimappa Kurbet, No. B, 207, 'B' Block, Casa Ansal Apartment JP Nagar 3rd Phase, Bangalore - 560 078

Description of the immovable assets: **(Rs.in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	Flat beraing No. 106, 1st Floor, " NEHA SADAN" apartment, located in property beraing Site No. 7, Old Khata No. 193, Present BBMP New municipal No. 730/253/254/11/7, Ward No. 171, Sy. No. 11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South - 560 068.	44.68	4.468	1.00

3. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **J. P. Nagar II Branch,** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " Whatever there is" on **30.10.2024** (11.30 A.M. to 12.30A.M), for recovery of **Rs. 80,52,387.87/-** (Rupees Eighty Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Seven and Paise Eighty Seven only) as on 01.10.2024 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **J. P. Nagar II Branch, Bengaluru** of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Prashanth Gouda,** S/o Shekhar Gouda, No. 43, Janani Nilaya, 5th Cross, Manjunath Nagar, Raghvanahalli, Bangalore - 560 062. **2. Mrs. Kavya Prashanth Gouda,** W/o. Prashanth Gouda No. 43, Janani Nilaya, 5th Cross, Manjunath Nagar, Raghvanahalli, Bangalore - 560 062. **3. Nagaraju T., (Guarantor),** No. 156, Shanthi Vilas Layout, 1st Main Road, behind Church, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 060.

Description of the immovable assets: (Amount in Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	Residential Flat situated at Flat No. 107, (2 BHK), 1st Floor, facing West " NEHA SADAN" Apartment, Site No. 11, 11th main Road, AECS Layout, 'A' Block, Singasandra Village, Bangalore - 560 068.	36.10	3.610	1.00

4. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **J. P. Nagar II Branch,** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " Whatever there is" on **30.10.2024** (11.30 A.M. to 12.30A.M), for recovery of **Rs. 76,89,216.86** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Sixteen One Paise Eighty Six only) as on 01.10.2024 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **J. P. Nagar II Branch, Bengaluru** of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Umesh Gowda,** S/o Ramappa, No. 94, Sonnenahalli Maruthi nagar, Bangalore , Karnataka- 560 056, **2. Mrs. Lakshmidevi T.,** W/o. Umesh R., No. 94, Sonnenahalli Maruthi nagar, Bangalore , Karnataka- 560 056,

Description of the immovable assets: (Amount in Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	Apartment bearing Flat No. 205, at 2nd Floor, of the building known as "NEHA SADAN" located in Site bearing No. 7, Old khata No. 193, Present BBMP New Municipal No. 730/253/254/11/7, Sy. No. 11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South - 560 068.	43.23	4.323	1.00

5. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **J. P. Nagar II Branch,** of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and " Whatever there is" on **30.10.2024** (11.30 A.M. to 12.30A.M), for recovery of **Rs.84,41,393.24** (Rupees Eighty Four Lakhs Forty One Thousand Three Hundred and Ninety Three and Paise Twenty Four Only)as on 01.10.2024 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **J. P. Nagar II Branch, Bengaluru** of Canara Bank from **1. Mr. Mallesh Kumar S.** C/o. Ramappa, No. 12, Puttenahalli, Bangalore - 560 078.

Description of the immovable assets: (Amount in Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the Immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1.	Flat No. 102, at 1st Floor, "NEHA SADAN" Apartment located in Property bearing Site No. 7, Old khata No. 193, Present BBMP New Municipal No. 730/ 253/ 254/11/7, Sy. No. 11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South - 560 068.	55.46	5.546	1.00

The reserve price and Earnest Money Depost details are as mentioned above & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **28.10.2024** upto 4.00 p.m. by way of DD favouring Authorised Officer Canara Bank J.P. Nagar II Branch, or through online payment to Account No. 209272946 (IFSC CNRB0000492)

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Chief Manager, JP Nagar II (DP - 0492) Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9661805035 and 080-26592667 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore
Date :14.10.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
(PUBLIC WORKS, DEPT.)

No. PWD/BGM/TND/TA/AE/2024-25 /4041 Date:014-10-2024

-ITEM RATETENDER NOTIFICATION(E-PROCUREMENT):-

The Executive Engineer, PWD Belagavi Division Belagavi invites item ratetenders from the eligible contractors registered in E-procurement portal in Public Works Department under KW-1, 2 ,3 & 44Standard tender documents for a work under 5054 MDR Improvements, 3054 MDR Maintenance (Flood) , 3054 MDR Bridge Maintenance (Flood) , 2059 Dept. Buildings and 8443 Deposit Contribution total 09 number of works with minimum and maximum tender amounts of Rs.7.96 Lakhs and Rs.112.35 Lakhs respectively and minimum and maximum EMD amount of Rs. 20,000/- and Rs. 2,00,000/- Part-1:Tender receipt Date is on 24-10-2024 upto 4.30 PM , Technical Bid Opening Date is on 25-10-2024 after 4.45 PM Financial Bid Opening Date is on 26-10-2024 at 11.00 AM, Part-2: Tender receipt Date is on 28-10-2024 up to 4.30 PM and Technical Bid Opening Date is on 29-10-2024 after 4.45 PM. Part-3: Tender receipt Date is on 04-11-2024 up to 4.30 PM and Technical Bid Opening Date is on 05-11-2024 after 4.45 PM.

For more information contact the office of the undersigned and www.eproc.karnataka gov.in after 14-10-2024.

(Note:1) If no bids received, 3 days One Time auto extension activated 2) For all the above Civil Works, Royalty shall be deducted as per KMMCR 1994 Amendment rule 2016, Also KMMCR 2016 Amended Rule 36(3), 42(1), 44(3), 44(4)).

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Public Works Department, Belagavi Dn. Belagavi.

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-976/KSMCA/2024-25

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, "e" -PROCUREMENT NOTICE
WORKS DEPARTMENT

E-mail : ceworldbankprojects@gmail.com

1st corrigendum to Bid Identification No. CE-W.B.P. (O) - 47 / 2023-24

B-418: The tender for the work at Sl.03 "Construction of H. L. Bridge over Samkoi river at 16.000km of Godibandha - Kalanda road in the District of Angul under State Plan bearing Bid Identification No. CE-WBP (O)47/ 2023- 24 (Tender ID No.2024_EIC-CL_100109_3 is hereby cancelled as per the Works Department, Odisha vide letter No.2866 dt.13.08.2024

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Bridges,
Odisha, Bhubaneswar **OIPR- 34003/11/0007/2425**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. EEE/TL&SS/DBP/2024-25/1484 Date: 09.10.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

KPTCL invites following office tender pertaining to Transmission Lines and Substation Division, Doddaballapura

1. Supply and fixing of OLP relay pertaining to various substations coming under nodal 1 & 2 in TL&SS division, Gowribidanur. **2.** Overhauling of 66kV BIAL Budigere line circuit breaker at 220/66/11kV BIAL Begur. **3.** Supply and fixing of 220kV class fixed and moving contacts at 220/66/11kV R/s KIADB Hardware park. **4.** Attending SF6 gas leakage in 66kV DBpura line -2 breaker at 66/11kV S/s Rajankunte. **5.** Overhauling of 220kV and 66kV isolators at 220/66/11kV R/s BIAL Begur. **6.** Supply of hardware materials for preventive/breakdown maintenance at 220/66/11kV KIADB Hardware park. **7.** Repair of OLTC gearbox mechanism of 20MVA NGEF make power transformer -2 at 66/11kV Nandagudi. **8.** Replacement of defective OTI, WTI meters by providing new OTI, WTI for 20MVA NGEF make power transformer -2 at 66/11kV Pillagumpa S/s. **9.** Supply of various types maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Nandagudi. **10.** Replacement of differential relay ER make M1B202 type of power transformer 1 by numerical differential relay at 66/11kV S/s Kanaswadi. **11.** Supply of contactors 220V AC and overload relay at 220/66kV NRS DBpura. **12.** Reconditioning of OLTC mechanism of 100MVA of power transformer -1 at 220/66kV NRS DBpura. **13.** Supply/Repair of 11kV rubber mats at 66/11kV Doddabelavangala S/s. **14.** Replacement of cooling fan motor and cooling fan at 220/66kV NRS DBpura. **15.** Supply/repair of capacitor cells at 66/11kV Devanahalli. **16.** Supply/repair of capacitor cells at 66/11kV Vijayapura. **17.** Supply/repair of capacitor cells at 66/11kV D cross. **18.** Supply/repair of capacitor cells-2nos at 66/11kV Gundamgere. **19.** Supply of numerical relays – 2 nos at Gundamgere. **20.** Supply of name boards and others at KIADB nodal center in TL&SS division, Doddaballapura. **21.** Supply of name boards and others at Cbpura nodal center in TL&SS division, Doddaballapura. **22.** Supply of name boards and others at various substations coming under TL&SS division, Gowribidanur. **23.** Replacement of faulty B phase electromechanical back up relay by numerical non directional relay for F12 auxiliary at 220/66/11kV R/s Gowribidanur. **24.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Kudumalakunte. **25.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Vidhurashwatha. **26.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Manchenahalli. **27.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Vatadahosahalli. **28.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Alipura. **29.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Thondebhavi. **30.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Gundlukothur. **31.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Gudibande. **32.** Supply of maintenance materials at 220/66/11kV R/s Mandikal. **33.** Supply of maintenance materials at 66/11kV S/s Somenahalli. **34.** Replacement of faulty analog meters at 66/11kV S/s Peresandra.

Enquiry details may be obtained from the office of the undersigned from **15.10.2024 at 10:00 Hrs** onwards. Further details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (El)
Transmission Lines and Substations, Division, KPTCL
T.B. Circle, Chikkaballapura Road, Doddaballapura - 561203

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
HYDERABAD METROPOLITAN WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD

O/o Chief General Manager (Engg), Transmission Circle, Khairatabad, Hyderabad-500004, TG.

e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION

'e'-Tender Nos. & Date	Name of Work	Ranging (approx.)	Bid document download start date
e-Tender Notice No. EP. No.51/ CGM(E)/TC/T1/ Maintenance/ QAT/2024-25, dtd:14/10/2024.	Maintenance of 274 Nos of Vacuum operated chlorination plants of various capacities 50Kgs/hr, 30Kgs/hr, 20Kgs/hr, 10Kgs/hr & below capacities, routine checkups, attending Chlorine gas leakage, servicing, repairs including minor and major spare parts replacement at various WTP's and Reservoirs of HMWSSB for a period of (1) One year under Central Chlorination Cell QAT Wing, HMWSSB.	Rs. 188.85 Lakhs	15.10.2024 @ 11:30 AM

The Tenderers are requested to upload the information on the Zip format preferably. Further details can be seen on **www.eprocurement.gov.in.**

Sd/- Chief General Manager (Engg), Transmission Circle, Khairatabad, Hyderabad-04.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

REGIONAL OFFICE WEST
Chitrapur Mutt Complex, Malleswaram, 15 th Cross, Bangalore-560055.

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Canara Bank, Regional Office West,** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : Borrower: (1) Sri. D. Srinivasa Reddy S/o Sri Linga Reddy D **(Borrower), (2) Smt. Kavitha** W/o Srinivasa Reddy D, **Both are residing at:** # 9, 3rd Cross, Anandapura Circle, T C Palya Main Road, K R Puram, Bengaluru-560036.

Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the borrower:

Sl. No	Loan Number/ Nature of loan limit	Date of Sanction	Amount	Liability With Interest As On Date (in Rs)	Rate Of Interest
1	2698619011287 Housing Loan	18.08.2011	Rs. 35,00,000/-	Rs.33,30,792.15 Date: 08.10.2024	10.20% +2.36% penal interest

Total Liability Amount: Rs.33,30,792.15 dtd 08.10.2024 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred and ninety Two and fifteen Paise only)
NPA Date : 27.09.2024 **Demand Notice Dated : 09.10.2024**
Name of Title Holder : Sri D Srinivasa Reddy

Description Immovable Property:
All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing Site No.9, Khatha No.100/1/10/1, & 13/2, situated at Sonnathamanahalli, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk Bangalore City measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet in all admeasuring 1200 Sq Feet bounded on: East By: Remaining portion of the same Site No.9, West By: Road, North by: Site No.8, South By: Site No.10.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : Borrower: Sri. Late Hanumantharaju Urs Legal heirs: (1) Jayalakshmi W/o Late Hanumantharaju, **(2) H Srinivasraju** S/o Late Hanumantharaju, **(3) Smt. Nanjamma** W/o late Kantharaju **(Co-Borrower), (4) Sri. Manjunath Urs** S/o Late Kantharju **(Co-Borrower), All are residing at:** No.194, 2nd Cross, Anantha Ramaiah Compound, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560018.

Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the borrower:

Sl. No	Loan Number/ Nature of loan limit	Date of Sanction	Amount	Liability With Interest as on Date	Rate Of Interest
1	0423619003613 Housing Loan	17.01.2006	Rs. 6,00,000/-	Rs. 9,42,322/- Date: 08.10.2024	12.46% + 2.36% penal interest

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 9,42,322/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fourty Two Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Two Only) dtd 08.10.2024
NPA Date : 20.03.2015 **Demand Notice Dated : 09.10.2024**
Name of Title Holder : Sri Hanumantharaju Urs

Description Immovable Property:
All that piece and parcel of the Second and Third Floor portion in Property bearing No.194,(Old No.18), situated at 2nd Cross, Anantharamaiah Compound, Mysore Road, ward No.45, Bangalore, measuring East to West 42*3 and North to south 25*3 and in out house portion 1/6th share in Ground Floor measuring East to West 10 feet and North to South 30 feet and 1/6th share in second floor measuring East to West 10 feet and North to South 30 feet and bounded on: East By: 2nd main Road, West By: Out House, North by: Property bearing No.17, South By: Property bearing No.19.

3. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : Borrower: (1) Sri Raju D (Borrower), (2) Mangalamma V (Co-Borrower), Both are residing at: No.19, Javaregowdanagar, Near Sharadamba School Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore -560098.

Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the borrower:

Sl. No	Loan Number/ Nature of loan limit	Date of Sanction	Amount	Liability With Interest as on Date	Rate Of Interest
1	0423619003830 Housing Loan	27.06.2011	Rs. 10,00,000/-	Rs. 3,34,056.88 Date: 08.10.2024	9.95% +2.36% penal interest

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 3,34,056.88 (Rupees Three Lakh Thirty Four Thousand and Fifty Six And Eighty Eight Paise only) dtd 08.10.2024
NPA Date : 25.09.2024 **Demand Notice Dated : 09.10.2024**
Name of Title Holder : Sri Raju D

Description Immovable Property:
All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing No.19, Khatha No.46/1, situated at Javaraiahna Doddi Grama, Hosakerehalli Dakale, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Later comes under the limits of CMC Rajarajeshwari Nagarsabhe (Javaregowdanagara) now come under the limits of BBMP measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 15 feet and totally measuring 600 Sq feet bounded on: East By: Site No.18, West By: Road, North by: Road, South By: Site No.20.

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower / Guarantors / Mortgager including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 14.10.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Canara Bank**

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Bengaluru Zone: #11, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Ph: 080-22959400/22289054, E-mail: zo.b engaluru@bankofindia.co.in www.bankofindia.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule-8 (1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Bank of India,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12), read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **30.05.2024** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Venkatesh S and Mrs. Savithri, both residing at: Site No.446, VP Khatha No.230/446, E-swathu No.150200103200200867, Sy No.237, Navya Layout, Rajapura, Masthenahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560099** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.59,45,524.30** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Four and Thirty paise Only) within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the **09th day of October of the year 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs.59,45,524.30** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property situated at Northern portioin of site No.446, VP Khatha No.230/446, E-swathu No.150200103200200867 in the layout named as **"NAVYA LAYOUT",** formed in Sy No.237, situated at Rajapura & Masthenahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, (converted vide convesion order no. ALN/SR(A)15/2001-02 dated 29.11.2001) and the layout plan sanctioned by the BMRDA, Govt of Karnataka vide its order No.BMRDA/LAO/016/2002-03 daed 10.07.2003, together with the buildings sheds, standing thereon, measuring East to West : 60 feet and North to South : 20 feet admeasuring 1200 sq. ft. Owned by Mr. Venkatesh S. Bounded on : On the North by : Site No.447, On the South by : Remaining portion of same site no.446, On the East by : Road, On the West by : Private Property.

Date : 09.10.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Bank of India**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC-4), WHITE FIELD (17753), No.117, Ground Floor, Neil Rao Towers, Road No.3, EPIP Phase 1, White Field Road, Bengaluru - 560 066
Tel: 080-28411010/1020, E-Mail: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in

Possession Notice (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC-4, White Field, Bengaluru** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the following borrowers/ mortgagors to repay the loan amount mentioned in their demand notices with further interest at contractual rate together with incidental expenses cost charges etc., within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices. The details of the loan accounts of borrowers/mortgagors such as name of the borrowers/mortgagors date of issue of demand notice, Date of publication of demand notice, outstanding as per the demand notice possession taken date, description of secured assets including present loan outstanding etc., are furnished hereunder against the name of each borrowers/ mortgagors :

A/c No. HL 42396466171, Suraksha 42407986566

1) Name of the Borrowers : (1) Sri. Fairoz Sharief S/o. Sri. Fayaz Sharief and **(2) Smt. Rubiya** W/o. Sri. Fairoz Sharief

Demand Notice date : 19.07.2024

outstanding as per the demand Notice : 33,89,513/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Thirteen Only) as on 17.07.2024. You are also liable to pay further interest from 18.07.2024 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 10.10.2024

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 34,04,260/- (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Only) as on 04.10.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 05.10.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Khanishmari No. 1070 or Assessment No. 965 formed in Old Sy No. 569/2, New Sy No. 569/2A, situated at Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562125, measuring East to West : 40 feet and North to South : 200 feet, overall 8000 Square feet, which is duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose as per Official Memorandum issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore vide ALN(SR)40/85-86 dated 01.01.1986 and **bounded on : East by :** Narasimaiah's Property, **West by :** Ramahaiah's Land, **North by :** Balappa's Land in Sy No. 569/3, **South by :** Bangalore Sarjapura Main Road.

Schedule 'B' Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Sy No.569/3 (Old Sy No.569/1) situated at Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore - 562125, measuring 1 Acre (43560 square feet Area) which is duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose as per Official Memorandum issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore vide ALN(AS)SR/173/10-11 dated 21.01.2011 and **bounded on : East by :** Land bearing Sy No. 569/1, **West by :** Nala, **North by :** Land bearing Sy No. 568, **South by :** Land bearing Sy No. 569/2.

Schedule 'C' Property : 385 Sq.feet undivided right and interest in the combined Schedule A Property and Schedule B Property.

Schedule 'D' Property : All that piece and parcel of the Flat No.121 in Ground Floor, measuring 919 Sq. feet Super Built up Area or Carpet Area 661 Sq. feet of the building known as "EVERSHINE GREENWOOD" having PID No.150200102300124538, E Khatha No.1393/121 has been constructed on the Scheulde A and B Property with the Basement + G + 4 Floors, including one covered car parking space at the basement and proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies and staircase contained in the multistoried building, standing jointly in the names of Sri.Fairoz Sharief S/o Sri. Fayaz Sharief and Smt.Rubiya W/o Sri.Fairoz Sharief.

A/c No. HL 34037246214

2) Name of the Borrowers : (1) Smt. Prathiba .N W/o. Sri. Praveen Kumar .N and **(2) Sri. Praveen Kumar .N** S/o. Sri. N.G. Rugi

Demand Notice date : 04.07.2024, and its paper publication in "The New Indian Express" and "Samyuktha Karnataka" on 03.08.2024

outstanding as per the demand Notice : Rs. 40,51,298/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Eight Only) as on 02.07.2024. You are also liable to pay further interest from 03.07.2024 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 10.10.2024.

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 38,55,878/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Eight Only) as on 04.10.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 05.10.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land bearing Survey No.151/1 measuring 1 Acre 20 Guntas, converted vide the Order dated 20.09.2010 in Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN(E)S.R(K.H)62/2010-11, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, presently bearing Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Katha No.524/151/1 (portion of amalgated Khatha No.524/151/1/151/4), situated at Mahadevapura, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and **bounded on: East by :** Road, **West by :** Land belonging to Sri.Babu Reddy in Sy No.151/1, New No.151/4, **North by :** Land belonging to Smt.Ramakka in Sy No.151/2, **South by :** Land belonging to Sri.Jayaraj & Sri.B.V.S.Reddy in Sy No.149 & 150.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 492 Sq.feet undivided right, title and interest in the land comprised in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Residential Apartment/Flat bearing No.404, in Fourth Floor of Block I, Wing D, measuring 1484 Sq.feet Super Built up Area, containing Three Bedrooms, Hall, Dining and Kitchen with RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring together with One covered car parking space, along with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase lift, contained in the multistoried building constructed on the Schedule A Property known as "SHILPITHA SPLENDOUR ANNEX" (Chinnappa Layout, Outer Ring Road, Mahadevapura, Bangalore – 560048), standing jointly in the names of Smt.Prathiba.N W/o Sri.Praveen Kumar.N and Sri.Praveen Kumar .N S/o Sri. N.G. Rugi.

A/c No. HL 64161811260, 64161811431, 64068835651

3) Name of the Borrowers : Sri.Venkateshappa .S.M S/o. Sri. Munivenkatappa

Demand Notice date : 19.07.2024

outstanding as per the demand Notice : Rs. 9,23,414/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen Only) as on 17.07.2024. You are also liable to pay further interest from 18.07.2024 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 10.10.2024.

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 9,14,488/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Eight Only) as on 04.10.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 05.10.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.15 formed in Sy No.115, situated at Channasandra Village, A K Gopalan Colony, Biderahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore now coming under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore assigning new Municipal No.115/15 of Channasandra, assigned to Whitefield Sub Division, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 30 feet and North to South: 18 feet, totally measuring 540 Sq.feet, with building thereon standing in the name of Sri.Venkateshappa.S.M S/o Sri.Munivenkatappa and **bounded on : East by :** Vacant Land, **West by :** Property of Venkataramanappa, **North by :** Property of Narayanamma, **South by :** Road.

The above named borrower(s)/mortgager(s) having failed to repay the entire loan amount as mentioned in their respective demand notices, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Mortgagers and the Public in general that, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC-4, Whitefield, Bangalore** has taken possession of the properties described herein above, in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on the above mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Mortgagors in particular, and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with aforesaid properties and any dealings with anyone of the said properties will be subject to the charge of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA** for related present loan outstanding amount as mentioned against the respective borrowers/ mortgagers name with further interest at contractual rate

with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon

The Borrowers'/Mortgagors' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 10.10.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager**
Place : Bengaluru **State Bank of India, RACPC-4, Whitefield, Bengaluru.**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Govt Of India Undertaking)
Regional Office-II
Karkala-I Branch

POSSESSION NOTICE
[Appendix IV under the Act -rule-8(1)]
[For Immovable property]

Whereas,

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a **Demand Notice dated 26/06/2024** calling upon the **Borrowers: Mrs. Vanitha J Nayak W/o. H Janardhana Nayak S/o. Late Laxman Nayak To Repay The Amount Mentioned In The Notice, being Rs. 69,97,127.06/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand One Hundred Twenty Seven and Paise Six Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **14th Day of October 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs. 71,60,593.06/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Three and Paise Six Only)** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that Residential Apartment bearing No. 34034, Level – 3, Second Floor, situated in Buidling No. 3, Tower No. 4, in the project viz. PRESTIGE FALCON CITY, developed on the property measuring (i) 02 acres 23 guntas in Sy no 31/2, (ii) 02 acres 08 guntas in Sy no 32/1, (iii) 01 acre 31 guntas in sy no 32/2 , (iv) 01 acre 36 guntas in sy no 32/3,(v) 01 acre 23 guntas in Sy no 32/4, (vi) 03 acres 08 guntas in sy no 34/1, (vii) 03 acres 02 guntas in sy no 35/1, (viii) 03 acres 02 guntas in sy no 35/2, (ix) 00 acre 27.68 guntas in sy no 36/1A(part), (x) 01 acre 24 guntas in sy no 36/2A, (xi) 01 acre 13 guntas in sy no 36/2b, situated at doddakallasandra village, uttarahalli hobli, Bangalore south Taluk , (xii) 03 acres 20 guntas in Sy no 41/2 (part), (xiii) 02 acres 32 guntas in sy no 42 and (xiv) 01 acre 16 guntas in sy no 43/1b, situated at konanakunte village, uttarahalli hobli, Bangalore south taluk, in all measuring 30 acres 25.68 guntas and presently bearing municipal no 1182/Sy no 31/2, 32/1, 32/3, 32/4, 34/1, 35/2, 35/1, 36/2A, 41/2, 40, 41/3, 42, 43/1b,36/1a, 36/2b, 37/1,38/1,38/2, 37/2, 36/1b, 36/1c (in the records of bruhat Bangalore mahanagara palike) and situated at Doddakallasandra in Municipal ward no 197 of Uttarahalli division, Bangalore Property and Apartment measuring 842 Sq. Ft. of carpet area and 388 Sq. Ft. of proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use and totally measuring 1230 Sq. Ft. of super built up area with right to use ONE Linked covered car parking space in the Lower/Upper Basement Floor

Boundaries: East : Open towards Open Space in Building – 3, Tower – 4 of Prestige Falcon City, West : Appartment No.34033 in Level -3, Secound Floor in building-3, Tower – 4 of Prestige Falcon City, South : Corridor/Lift in Level -3, Secound Floor in building-3, Tower – 4 of Prestige Falcon City, North : Open towards Open Space in Building – 3, Tower – 4 of Prestige Falcon City

Date: 14/10/2024 Sd /- Authorised Officer
Place: Karkala Canara Bank

MAHAGENCO
Maharashtra State Power Generation Co. Ltd.

ETENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited on line from experienced and reputed Manufacturers/Suppliers/Contractors for the supply/ works of following at Gas Turbine Power Station, Uran:

e-Tender / RFx No.	Description	Estimated Cost/EMD (Rs)	Sale Period	Last date of submission (up to 15.00 hrs)
RFx No. 3000052373	Supply of Compressor rotor blades for all 16th stages along with installation material for 108 MW GT V 94.2 Unit No. 7 at GTPS, Uran.	831.04 Lakhs 5,00,000/-	11.04.2024 To 30.10.2024	31.10.2024

Tender Cost Rs. 1180/- for all tenders. Tender cost and EMD to be paid online only. Tenders are available for sale on our website from dt. **11.10.2024** for more details, Please visit our website **https://eprocurement.mahagenco.in Contact Details:** EE (P&C) - 91-9167007841.

Vendors are requested to register their firms for E-Tendering. Please log on to our website https://eprocurement.mahagenco.in,

Sd/-
Chief Engineer
GTPS Uran

MAHATRANSCO
Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

NOTICE INVITING TENDER CPD/95 -2024-25

The due Date and Time of submission and opening of following SRM e-tender is extended as follows:

Tender No. & Description of Item	Estimated Amount (in Rs.) Lakhs / Tender Fee in (in Rs.)	Due Date & Time (Hrs.) for Submission & Opening of Tender
SP/T-0528/1024 [RFX No. 5000001310] [3rd Call] (Two Bid System) Procurement of 25MVA, 132kV Class (18 Nos.); 25MVA, 220kV Class (04Nos.); 50MVA, 132kV Class (05 Nos.); 50MVA, 220kV Class (24 Nos.); 100MVA, 220kV Class (05 Nos.) & 200MVA, 220kV Class (10 Nos.) Power Transformers/ICTs along with New Uninhibited High Grade Mineral Insulating Oil for Augmentation and Emergency/Critical Spares under all Zones of MSETCL.	Rs.39081.85 / Rs. 25000.00 (excluding taxes)	25.10.2024 Up to 18:00 Hrs. 25.10.2024 at 18:15 Hrs.
Pre-bid meeting Date, Time & Venue	**Date:** 15.10.2024 **Time:** 14:30 Hrs. **Venue:** 8th Floor, MSETCL C.O. 'Prakashganga' Plot No. C-19, E-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400051	

Contact Person: Office of the Executive Engineer (P&C)
Tel. No.022- 69852717/ Cell no:-8329909813/9833579766
Email: ceom@mahatransco.in, secpa@mahatransco.in, eegrp5@mahatransco.in, eepc@mahatransco.in
For further details visit our website http://www.srmetender.mahatransco.in
Any further amendments will be published on the MSETCL website www.mahatransco.in. So bidders are requested to check the website.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer (P&C)

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
ZILLA PANCHAYATH: CHAMARAJANAGARA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,PANCHAYATH RAJ ENGINEERING DIVISION, CHAMARAJANAGAR -571313

Telephone no: 08226-223019 E-Mail: eepredcrnagar@rediffmail.com

No: EE/PRED/CHN/JE/TENDER NOTIFICATION No : 13/2024-25 Dated: 07-10-2024

Item rate tenders are invited through KPPP Portal On behalf of Governor of Karnataka from eligible Registered Contractors in standard bid document KG-1 & KG-2 form the total number of tenders 18, Maximum estimated cost is Rs. 576.66 lakhs MGNREGA Department Head of Grants Accounts.

Tender upload date: 08-10-2024
Last date for submission of tender: 23-10-2024 up to 17.00 Hours
Date and Time of opening of technical bid: 25-10-2024 at after 11.00 Hours
Financial bid will open ofter approval of technical bid

More information can be had from the website. www.kppp.Karnataka.gov.in & any other details required can be obtained from office of the under signed during office hours.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, PRE Division,
Chamarajanagar

DIPR:CHANAGAR: 332:2024-25

Zilla Pancahayath Yadgiri

ZPY/PLANSEC/KKRDB/KALIKAASARE/2024-25) **Date:10-10-2024**

E-procurement Tender Notification

From eligible owners/ agencies to purchase study Materials for class 9th and 10th students studying in government schools under the Regional Fund of Kalyan Karnataka Pradesh Development Board Short-term tenders are invited individually through

e-procurement in double-envelope system. Registered Institutions concerned Tender can be submitted through. More information on this Available at kppp.karnataka.gov.in website

Date and Schedule of the Tender 1) Name of Work: "Supply of Printed Practice Papers for improvements towards 9th and 10th Standard Results for the Students" **2) Date of publishing the RFP Document:** 10.10.2024 **3) Last Date and Time for Uploading Online Queries in e-Procurement Portal**: 23.10.2024 upto 16.00 hrs **4) Date and Time of Pre-Bid Meeting (Online):** 21.10.2024 at 11.00 hrs: Online, interested bidders to officially write to the authority for login details. **5) Last date and time for submission of Proposal(Proposal Due Date):** 25.10.2024 upto 16:00 hrs **6) Date and time for opening of Technical Proposal:** 28.10.2024 at 11:00 hrs **7) Date and time for opening of Financial Proposal:** 30.10.2024 at 11:00 hrs **8) Amount Put to Tender:** Rs. 50,26,680/- (Inclusive of all taxes) **9) Bid Security / EMD:** Rs. 100533/-

DIP/YDG/231/KSMC&A/2024-25

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer
Zilla Pancahayth Yadgiri

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, "e"-PROCUREMENT NOTICE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, KHORDHA (R&B) CIRCLE, KHORDHA
WORKS DEPARTMENT
Tender call Notice
E-mail: rbcirclekhurda@gmail.com
Bid Identification No. CCE-Khordha (R&B) Circle-11/2024-25
Memo No - 1986 Dt. 04.10.2024

B-395: The Chief Construction Engineer, Khordha (R&B) Circle, Khordha on behalf of Governor of Odisha inviting percentage rate bid in double cover system in ONLINE MODE from eligible contractors for Road works as detailed in the table below:

1.	Nature of Work	: Road Works
2.	No of Work	: 4 Nos
3	Tender Cost	: Rs.10000.00 (On-Line)
4.	Class of Contractor	: A & Special Class
5.	Available of Bid document in the Website	: From 10.00 AM of Dt.17.10..2024 up to 05.00 PM Dt.01.11.2024 up to 5.00 PM
6.	Date of opening of Bid	: Dt. 02.11.2024 at 11.30 AM

7. The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the Website: https://tenderodisha.gov.in . Any Addendum / Corrigendum / Cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website..

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
OIPR-34127/11/0014/2425 Khordha (R&B) Circle, Khordha

MAHATRANSCO Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.
E-TENDER NOTICE

MSETCL invites online bids (E Tender) from registered contractors / agencies on Mahatransco E-Tendering website http://srmetender.mahatransco.in; for following works
Re-Tender No. : CE/EHV PC O&M Zone/Pune/T-40/2024-25
RFX No. 7000032576
Subject : Re-tender for the work of :
a) Replacement of existing twin Moose conductor with High Performance Conductor (HPC) of 400 kV Lonikand-I – Jejuri Line.
b) Modification of End bays as per loading capacity of twin High Performance Conductor (HPC) at 400 kV Lonikand-I substation of 400 kV Jejuri Bay & 400 kV TBC bay and at 400 kV Jejuri substation of 400 kV Lonikand-II line bay.
Tender Amount: Rs. 81,46,56,617/-;
EMD: Rs. 81,46,566.17/-; **Tender Fees:** Rs. 25,000/- +GST.
Download of tender Documents: From dtd. 15/10/2024 @ 14:00 Hrs. to dtd. 29/10/2024 up to 14:00 Hrs.
Bid Opening : Dtd. 29/10/2024 after 14:05 Hrs (Tech.); Dtd. 30/10/2024 after 11:00Hrs (Price)
For further details visit our website http://mahatransco.in and open above RFX for downloading tender document, schedules, and annexures.

Chief Engineer, (I/C)
EHV PC O&M Zone Pune.

GOVERNMENT OF KARANATAKA
Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department. Office of the Executive Engineer Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal. Phone & Fax No : 08539-220054 email: eemidnkst@rediffmail.com
No:EE/MI&GWDD/Koppal/PB/TP/2024-25/3028
Dated:09.10.2024

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER

The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal invites tenders from the eligible tenderers registered civil contractors as per standard bid documents KW-4 on E-procurement portal for 1 no of tender works pertaining to Koppal district. The amount put to tender for the mentioned work varies from estimate amount **Rs. 150.00** The tenderers may submit tenders for the mentioned work through E-procurement portal only Two cover tender procedure as per rule 28 of the KTTP act shall be followed.

For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours and all information regarding tenders can be had from website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** The tender documents can be downloaded from the above website address on or after**15.10.2024** Last date & time for receipt of tender is **24.10.2024** time 17.30 hours Per bid meeting will be held on **22.10.2024** 11.00 Hours Date & time for opening of technical bid **28.10.2024** time 11.00 hours, date and time for opening of financial bid30.10.2024 time 11.00 hours (If technical bid sanction is accorded by the competent authority).

Sd/-Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department Division Koppal.
DIPR/Koppal/470/KSMCA/2024-25

Bank of Baroda (A Government of India undertaking)
Jayanagar Branch, P.B. No 1120, 9th Main Road, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560 068, Tel: 080-26630533, E-mail: JAYANA@bankofbaroda.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

(FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ONLY)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of Bank of Baroda, Jayanagar Branch, Bangalore under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec 13(2) read with Rule-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated 25.03.2024 calling upon the **1) Sri Sukumar R,** S/o Late Ramamurthy, **(Borrower), 2) Dr Amritha G Kulakarni,** W/o Sri Sukumar R, **(Co-Borrower), 3) Sri Pruthviraj S,** S/o Sri Shankar P **(Guarantor)** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being under of **Rs 1,30,95,151.06** (Rupees One Crore Thirty Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty One and Paise Six Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor of the property having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/Guarantor/Owner of the property in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **08th day of October of the year 2024.**
The borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda for an amount of **Rs 1,30,95,151.06** (Rupees One Crore Thirty Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand One Hundred Fifty One and Paise Six Only) plus interest thereon along with cost.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property house list No 36, Katha No 23 situated at Kathriguppe Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently coming within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, having Municipal No 23/26, situated at 8th Main Road, Kathriguppe, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore Having PID No 56-98-23/36 and measuring East to West 55 Feet and North to South 30 Feet and together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever underneath or above the surface and bounded on; East by: Road, West by: Sidda Reddy School, North by: Property No 37 belongs to Chandrashekar, South by: Property No 35 belongs to Anbalagan.
Building Particulars: Together with 24 Square RCC Roofed Two Floors building having 3 Houses of 1 Bedroom Each and 1 House of Two Bedrooms residential house and wall are built with brick and cement, vitrified flooring, Door and Windows are made out of teak wood with all civic amenities like water, sanitary and electricity connection thereon.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 08.10.2024
Sd- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda,
Jayanagar Branch

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, M.I. & G.W.D. DIVISION, KALABURAGI.
midnglb@rediffmail.com. PHONE : 08472 -220196

IFT No. EE/MI &GWD D/KAL/PB-2/2024-25/ 2262 DATED : 10-10-2024

-: SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT KW-6) :-

1) Detail of work: THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, M.I. & G.W.D. DIVISION, KALABURAGI INVITES TENDER FROM THE ELIGIBLE TENDERERS FOR THE WORK UNDER 4702 L.IS. & 4702 APB FOR THE YEAR 2024-25. 2) Amount of Estimate : **Max. Rs. 110,77,92,346.21 Min. Rs. 104,23,66,422.53,** 3) Eligibility of Contractor: Class-1, 4) Details of Tender application Amount and EMD Amount: Tender Fee As Per KPPP Portal, E.M.D. **Max. Rs. 110,78,000.00, Min. Rs. 104,23,700.00,** 5) Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/ Clarifications: **23-10-2024 Up to 11.00 Hours**, 6) Last Date & Time for Receipt of tenders: **25-10-2024 Up to 17.30 Hours**, 7) Date & Time for Opening of Pre-Qualification Bid: **28-10-2024 Up to 11.30 Hours**, 8) Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid : Will be Intimated to Pre-Qualification Qualified Bidders Through KPP Portal, 9) Addl. information: Executive Engineer, M.I. & G.W.D. Division, Kalaburagi, 10) Address of E-Portal.: **(https://KPPP.Karnataka.gov.in)**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Minor Irrigation & Ground Water Development Division, Kalaburagi
DIPR/Kalaburagi/518/KSMC&A/2024-25

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DIVISION
TENDER NOTICE No. SR-TVC0SnT(TEND)/3/2024/10
Dated: 11.10.2024

For and on behalf of The President of India, The Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Southern Railway, Thiruvananthapuram - 14 invites e-tenders for the following works.

Sl. No.	Tender No	Name of the works
1	TVC-SNT-SIG-24-25-15	Cleaning and Lubrication of interlocked Point chairs under the jurisdiction of ADSTE / QLN [PVRD - KYJ & TUVR-ALLP-KYJ, PVRD-KVU] section for Two years in TVC Division.
2	TVC-SNT-SIG-24-25-16	Cleaning and Lubrication of interlocked Point chairs under the jurisdiction of DSTE / ERS [VTK-ERS-MNTT, ERS-KUMM, ERS-CHTS, IPL-VPDM, PNQ-GUV] Section for two years in TVC Division.
3	TVC-SNT-SIG-24-25-17	Cleaning and Lubrication of interlocked Point chairs under the jurisdiction of ADSTE/TVC [MQU-TVC-NCJ / CAPE - TEN (Excl)] section for Two years in TVC Division.

Sl. No.	Cash Value (Approx.) (₹ Ps)	Earnest Money Deposit (₹)	Last Date for Receipt of Tender	Completion Period
1	90,91,540.70	1,81,800	01.11.2024 up to 14.00 Hrs	24 months
2	79,08,777.80	1,58,200	01.11.2024 up to 14.00 Hrs	24 months
3	54,23,401.50	1,08,500	01.11.2024 up to 14.00 Hrs	24 months

Complete details & tender document will be available at **www.ireps.gov.in**

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer, Thiruvananthapuram - 14

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, BBMP, Dasarahalli Zone, Hesaraghatta Main Road, MEI Layout, Bagalagunte, Bengaluru-560073

No.: SADH/DZ/TENDER/55/2024-25 Date: 14.10.2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Short Term) (Two Cover System) (Through GOK e-KPPP Only)
Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (Dasarahalli Zone), (Referred to as Employer in these documents) invites tenders to implement in accordance with KTPP Rules 2000, from eligible and experienced Person / Agencies / Firms (Referred to as Tenderers in these documents). **(Standard tender document: KW-1).**

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Construction of four water storage structure in Dasarahalli Constituency Parks, Dasarahalli Zone, Bengaluru. **Estimate Cost:** 16,94,479/-, **EMD Amount:** 42,362/-.

Calendar of Events: (1) The tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **18.10.2024. (2)** Pre bid meeting: **21.10.2024** at **11:00 a.m. (3)** Tender Closing date: **24.10.2024** at **5:00 p.m. (4)** Technical bid opening date: **28.10.2024** at **11:00 a.m. (5)** Financial bid opening date: **After approval of Technical bid.** Further details may be obtained from the above office, during office hours or website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture, BBMP

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY

Yelahanka, BANGALORE - 560 064
Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in.

TENDER NOTICE NO.RWF/S/P1/008/2024-25 dt. 14.10.24

On behalf of the President of India, Principal Chief Materials Manager invites electronic Tenders from Interested Vendors for supply of the following items on the Indian Railways E-Portal – www.ireps.gov.in. The Tender documents and the Corrigenda to the Tenders, if any, will be available on the Portal only.

Sl. No.	Tender No	Due date	Short description	Quantity
1	P1241855	01/11/24	Forging Hammer Tool to RWF Drg	3 Set
2	P1232304F	15/11/24	Inserts LNUX 38 X 22 X 40 P -30 to P-40.(Developmental Tender)	1000 Nos
3	P1241911	04/12/24	HDPE Box N Packing as per RWF drawing	189940 Nos
4	P1241904	04/12/24	Ladle Insulation material as per RWF specification	530240 kgs
5	P1241898	09/12/24	Cast Iron Slag Pot to RWF drawing	4 Nos
6	P1241892	10/12/24	Phosphate Easter Fire Resistant Hydraulic Fluid to [1]HISAFE DR 46.[2]Servo Fyress HFDR 46.[3] Houghto Safe 1120.	2380 litres
7	P1241912	11/12/24	Box N Axle Journal Cover[tapered] made of HDPE tor RWF drawing	347850 Nos
8	P1241913	13/12/24	M.S.Angle cut pieces weldable of size: 75 X 75 X 6 mm thickness X 75 MM long to IS:808-1989 and IS : 2062-1992 Gr. A SK	414310 kgs
9	P1241886	16/12/24	Aluminised Rayon/Preox-Para-Aranide Aluminised Suit as per RWF specification.	163 sets
10	P1241919	16/12/24	Magnesia Carbon Bricks as per RWF specification	97688 Nos

Principal Chief Materials Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client had entered into Agreement of Sale dated 10/08/2024 and intends to purchase the property described in the **SCHEDULE** hereunder, from its owners. Any person/s/bank/society/firm or any other body having any right, title, interest, claim or charge over the schedule mentioned property or any part thereof is hereby notified to lodge their objections/claims if any, in writing with documentary proof regarding their manner of right, title, interestor charge over the schedule mentioned property with the office of the undersigned **within ten days (10 days)** from date of publication of this notice, after which period my client shall proceed to purchase the schedule mentioned property, on the basis that there are no objections/claims of whatsoever nature with regard to the schedule mentioned property.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of the Residential vacant Plot bearing No.35, in Residentially Converted Land bearing Survey No.90/1, bearing BBMP Katha No.1311/90/1/35, situated at Jakkur Village, YelahankaHobli, Now Yelahanka Taluk, earlier Bangalore North (addl) Taluk, Bengaluru Urban Dist measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet totally measuring 1200 Sq Feet (converted vide Official Memorandum dated 07-04-2015, No.ALN (NAY) SR 171/2014-15) and bounded on by: **East by:** Plot bearing No.21, **West by :** 30 Feet Road, **North by:** Plot bearing No.36; **South by :** Plot bearing No.34;

Sd/- **A.V. NARASIMHA REDDY,** Advocate
No. 464, 20th Main, 26th Cross, Judicial Layout, G.K.V.K. Post, Yelahanaka New Town, Bangalore-560 065.
Moblie:9480333221

MAHATRANSCO Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.
E TENDER NOTICE

MSETCL invites online bids (E Tender) from registered contractors / agencies on Mahatransco E-Tendering website http://srmetender.mahatransco.in; for following works.
Re-Tender No. : CE/EHV PC O&M Zone/Pune/T-54/2024-25 **RFX No.** 7000033193
Subject : Re-Tender for the work of replacement of existing twin conductor, insulators, all accessories & hardwares by High Ampacity twin HPC conductor equivalent to 0.5 Moose conductor along with insulators & suitable hardwares & accessories of 400kV Talegaon (PG) to Chakan line along with associated bay strengthening work at 400kV Chakan R.S. under Pune Zone.
Tender Amount: Rs. 48,90,12,422/-; **EMD:** Rs. 48,90,124/-; **Tender Fees:** Rs. 25,000/- +GST. **Download of tender Documents:** From dtd. 15/10/2024 @14:00 Hrs to dtd. 29/10/2024 up to 14:00 Hrs.
Bid Opening : Dtd. 29/10/2024 after 14:05Hrs (Tech.); Dtd. 30/10/2024 after 11:00Hrs (Price)
For further details visit our website http://mahatransco.in and open above RFX for downloading tender document, schedules, and annexures.

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (I/C), EHV PC O&M Zone Pune

WESTERN RAILWAY

MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/57/2024 Date 11.10.2024

S.N.	Short Description of Item	Quantity	T.O.D.
679	BRAIN ENDOSCOPY SYSTEM FOR NEUROSURGERY	2 Nos	04-Nov-24
680	HIGH END ULTRASONOGRAPHY UNIT	2 Nos	04-Nov-24
681	TR/MOTOR AIR FILTER	7205 Nos	12-Nov-24
682	11200 mm Over Riding Curved Switches for 1 in 16 Turnouts	30 Set	12-Nov-24
	REVERSE AUCTION		
55	CONTACT WIRE 107 SQ. MM	97060 Mtr	07-Nov-24
56	Copper catenary wire 65 SQ MM	162500 Mtr	11-Nov-24

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website www.ireps.gov.in and www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in
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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Director General of Police, Police Computer Wing,
7th Floor, M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru 560001.
E-mail: dgppcw@ksp.gov.in **Tel No.**22353871

No.36/STS/DGP/PCW/2024-25 Dated : 10.10.2024

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

The tenders are invited in "Two Cover System" as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through e-Tender of Government of Karnataka website **(www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** for Supply and Install of following items required to the KSP Data Center.

Sl. No	Tender No.	Particulars	Qty	Last Date for submission of tender
1	KSP/2024-25/ IND0195	Purchase of 160 KVA DG Set	01	06/11/2024 by 17:30 hrs

Tender forms containing technical specifications, can be downloaded from **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**.Those who are willing to implement the project must necessarily be registered in e-Procurement portal. The training about e-Procurement is being provided at e-Procurement cell, e-Governance Department, M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore 560 001. The vendors may contact the helpline No : 91-8046010000 + 91-8068948777. For further details the vendors are requested to visit the website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**.Tender document will be available on **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** from **15/10/2024.**
(1) Details : Downloading of Tender Document & last date of submission of Tender Document : (from 15/10/2024 to 06/11/2024 before 17:30 hrs). **(2) EMD amount : Rs.40,000/- (Forty Thousand only)** which shall be paid online through any of the following modes. (a) Credit Card (b) Debit Card, (c) National Electronic Fund Transfer (NEFT), (d) Detail of the payment mode as mentioned in the bid document (e-payment document available on website). **(3) Pre bid Meeting** : 22-10-2024 at 12.00 hrs. **(4) Technical bid** : 08-11-2024 at 11.00 hrs **(5) Commercial bid :** 14-11-2024 at 11.30 hrs.

Sd/-
Director General of Police
Police Computer Wing, Bangalore
DIPR/CP/2506/Zen/2024-25

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

KPTCL invites Sealed tenders from Manufacturer/ Experienced/Authorized service Agency for the following works.

No. 938/C/TL&SS/EE(E)/AE(T)/24-25/F-49/2847-49 Dated : 10.10.2024

1) Name of the work : Service/overhauling and SF-6 gas leakage arresting of 110 KV ABB make circuit breaker of 100 MVA 220/110 KV Power Transformer-2 at 220/110-11 KV R/s Athani. **Specification :** Make: ABB, Type:LTB145D1/B BLK222. **Qty :** 01 No.

No. 938/C/TL&SS/EE(E)/AE(T)/24-25/F-49/2850-52 Dated : 10.10.2024

2) Name of the work : Providing/fixing of aluminium sleeves by hydrolic pressed crimping for Drake ACSR of CT,CB &GOS etc joint clamps of 220 KV Kudachi 1&2 and 110 KV Sadalaga & 110 KV CBKSSK line at 220/110 KV R/s Chikodi

Particulars	Palm connectors	CT,CVT,PT, LA connectors	GI nutbolts
220 KV Kudachi line-1	36 No	15 No	210 No
220 KV Kudachi line-2	36 No	15 No	210 No
110 KV Sadalaga line	33 No	09 No	180 No
110 KV CBKSSK line	40 No	18 No	240 No
Total	145 No	57 No	840 No

No. 938/C/TL&SS/EE(E)/AE(T)/24-25/F-49/2853-55 Dated : 10.10.2024

3) Name of the work : Service/overhauling and SF-6 gas leakage arresting of 110 KV SIEMENS make circuit breaker of 110 KV Kudachi line at 110/33-11 KV S/s Yalparatti. **Specification :** Make: SIEMENS, Voltage: 145KV, Current:3150A, SC current:40 KA for 3 sec, SF-6 gas pressure:6.0 bar rel. **Qty :** 01 No.

The undersigned may be contacted for tender closing date and tender opening date and other condition within office hours on working days

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele.,),
TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Vidyuth Nagar, Chikkodi - 591201

ಪುರಸಭೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ರಾಮದುರ್ಗ–591123
Website: www.ramdurgatown.mrc.gov.in, E-Mail: itstaff_ulb_ramdurga@yahoo.co.in ಜನಹಿತ ಕರೆ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ನಂ 080–23108108, ಕಚೇರಿ ದೂರವಾಣಿ/ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ ನಂ.08335–242180

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ.ಪುಸರಾ/ಸಿ.ಆರ್/ಎಸ್.ಬಿ.ಎಮ್.–1/ಟೆ.ಪ್ರ/2024–25/ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10–10–2024

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

॥ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ॥

ರಾಮದುರ್ಗ ಪುರಸಭೆ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಮದುರ್ಗ Municipal Solid Waste Management (SBM-1) ಅನುದಾನದಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ವಿವರಿಸಿದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೆ.ಸಿ.–1 ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲು–1 ಹಾಗೂ ಕೆ.ಡಬ್ಲು–3 ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾರಣ ಇಚ್ಛೆಯುಳ್ಳ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ ಟೆಂಡರ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದು. 1) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30953 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 15.70 ಲಕ್ಷ 2) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT 30954 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 1.91 ಲಕ್ಷ 3) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30955 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 5.82 ಲಕ್ಷ 4) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30956 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 7.00 ಲಕ್ಷ 5) DMA/2024-25/IND3706 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 5.61 ಲಕ್ಷ 6) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30343 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 13.00 ಲಕ್ಷ 7) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT-30341 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 72.99 ಲಕ್ಷ 8) DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30971 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 4.38 ಲಕ್ಷ 9)DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT30974 ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 3.84 ಲಕ್ಷ

* ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಮೊದಲು ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಅವಶ್ಯಕವಾಗಿ ಟೆಂಡರುಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ನಿಯಮ ನಿಭಂದಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಓದಿ ಪಾಲಿಸಬೇಕು.
* ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿದ ಟೆಂಡರಗಳನ್ನು ಅಪಲೋಡ್ (Upload) ಮಾಡುವ ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ:25–10–2024 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ:4:00ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
* ಟೆಂಡರಗಳ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:28–10–2024 ರ ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 5:00 ಘಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು.
*ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಶರತ್ತುಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ Website:www.ramdurgatown.mrc.gov.in & www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟನಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಡಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/–ಶ್ರೀ ಈರಣ್ಣ ಕೆ. ಗುಡದಾರಿ ಮುಖ್ಯಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಪುರಸಭೆ ರಾಮದುರ್ಗ
ಸಹಿ/–ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಪ್ರಭಾವತಿ ಫಕೀರಪುರ ಆಡಳಿತಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಪುರಸಭೆ ರಾಮದುರ್ಗ
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JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK (A scheduled commercial bank)
Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 09.10.2024	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last date TIME & Place for submission of Bid
1	30198852771585	1) M/s. G R Export Garments, Proprietor Mrs. Rekha K S, 2) Mrs. Rekha K S, Also at: M/s. G R Export Garments, 3) Mrs. Sakamma	05.06.2024	30.09.2024	Rs.17,98,872.95 (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Two and Ninety Five Paisa Only)	06.11.2024 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Only)	Rs.2,70,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Seventy Thousand Only)	20.11.2024 @ 02:00 PM	19.11.2024, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., Head Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel of Eastern portion of property bearing No.17, Khata No.9, Assessment No.9 situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently within the limits of BBMP and measuring East to West 15 Feet, North to South 40 Feet in all totally measuring 600 Sq.feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Empty portion of same Site No.17, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.16.									
2	34019420001675 & 34019430001474	1) Mrs. Megha P, Also at: M/s. Jayadevi Memorial Hospital, 2) Mr. Arjun S Prakash, 3) Mr. Y C Prakash	19.03.2024	25.09.2024	Rs.33,22,930.10 (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty and Ten Paisa Only)	06.11.2024 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.31,28,000/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Only)	Rs.3,12,800/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Only)	20.11.2024 @ 02:00 PM	19.11.2024, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., Head Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: Schedule-"A": All that piece and parcel of immovable property/ building consisting of 14 HIG+42 MIG+84 LIG, residential apartments/ in the multistoried building/ Block constructed in the Residential Site bearing No.970/13, in the layout formed by the Karnataka Housing Board at Yelahanka New Town, Sector-A, having built up area of the building measuring East to West: 58 Meters and North to South: 48.93 Meters, total Extent: 2837.94 Sq.meters. and area **Bounded on: East by:** 6.00 Mtrs. Drive Way, **West by:** 6.00 Mtrs. Drive Way, **North by:** 6.00 Mtrs. Drive Way, **South by:** 6.00 Mtrs. Drive Way. **Schedule-"B":** The Vendor having sold 1/140 i.e., (5587.00/13771.03) = 0.405 x 79.87=32.34 Square meters undivided interest in all of the above property to the purchaser. **Schedule-"C":** All those premises being a Residential Apartment/Tenement bearing No.210/F2-LIG on the Second Floor constructed on the property described in Schedule "A" hereto (including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the Apartment and floor of the apartment above it and internal wall and external wall between such levels). **Schedule of Tenement Referred to:** The boundary schedule of the apartment bearing No.210/F2-LIG on the Second Floor is **Bounded on: East by:** Open to Sky, **West by:** Corridor, **North by:** Corridor, **South by:** Open to Sky. Containing 1 Hall, 2 Bedroom, 1 Kitchen, attached bath and toilet, 1 No. Utility of balcony approximately measuring 79.87 Sq.mtrs. of super built up area and joint undivided interest/ ownership in the common space, passages, pipes drains and staircase. And one covered car parking in the Ground Floor.									
3	46989630000691	1) Mrs. Mahalakshmi M, 2) Mr. Basavaraju M Y, 3) Mr. Sunil Kumar M B	09.05.2024	08.10.2024	Rs.10,66,584.10 (Rupees Ten Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four and Ten Paisa Only)	06.11.2024 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.15,75,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Only)	Rs.1,57,500/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Only)	20.11.2024 @ 02:00 PM	19.11.2024, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., Head Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of Property bearing all the piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.63, in property No.63, Situated at Maralenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. **East by:** Site No.62, **West by:** Site No.64, **North by:** Site No.78, **South by:** Road. Measuring East to West: 30 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet, total measuring 1200 Sq.feet.									

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'**. The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. M Srinivasulru Contact Number: 8142000809. Email id: info@bankauctions.in/ srinivas@bankauctions.in.**
For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362952653), Mr. Umesh (Mob. No.8050149617) & Mrs. Syeda (Mob. No.7400445147).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 15.10.2024, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

EDITORIAL

"Neither journalism nor history provides an engineer's drawing of events. And participants often disagree. Memory, perspective and self-interest play their parts" — Bob Woodward

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— Ramnath Goenka

NEED TO CHOKE DRUG ROUTES TO CRIPPLE GANGS, CURB MENACE

THAT Kerala is in the grip of a drug menace is not new. It's the scale and newer methods of distribution that are disturbing. While the sharp rise in the number of seizures and cases registered under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act indicates the larger amounts smuggled in, revelations about the new methods adopted by the gangs are matters of concern. Nearly 42,000 NDPS cases have been registered in Kerala in the last one-and-a-half years and about 41,500 people, including peddlers and abusers, have been booked. The number of cases jumped from 9,245 in 2019 to 26,619 in 2022 and 30,697 in 2023. As many as 18,342 cases have been booked this year till July 31. While the enforcement agencies attribute the rise to increased detection, it's a fact that a big chunk of the drugs goes undetected.

Another disturbing trend is drug rackets increasing their reliance on women and minors, using them as carriers and peddlers. Adopted to avoid detection and expand reach, this shift comes at a grave cost to society. In June, it was revealed that a Bengaluru-based woman who was arrested in Aluva near Kochi with a kilogram of MDMA had been making frequent drug runs to Kerala. Since 2021, as many as 153 women and 147 minors have been arrested in drug-related cases in the state. Last year, the police cracked a case in which a Class 8 girl was being used as a smuggler-cum-peddler; her testimony helped uncover a racket involving schoolchildren, and tales of torture and abuse. The police say women are often lured into smuggling under the guise of romantic relationships and entangled with the threat of exposing embarrassing videos. According to them, 30 percent cases registered last year in Kochi involved women.

Add to these the arrival of new drugs like 'hydro ganja'—a more potent and expensive variety—and the scene gets scarier. A man arriving from Bangkok was recently arrested with over ₹2.5 crore worth of it. These troubling developments underscore the need to up vigil, increase awareness, and strengthen detection and enforcement. Rather than cracking down on local gangs and peddlers alone, the authorities must focus on chocking interstate and international smuggling routes to stem the flow. What is being done at present to curtail the menace is clearly not enough.

DRAFT SPORTS BILL: A FEW POINTS NEED CLOSER LOOK

IF the Draft National Sports Governance Bill 2024 becomes law, sports management in the country will see a big change. The draft, available on the sports ministry's website, is open for suggestions. Among the slew of proposed changes, a few focal points merit broader discussion. One is the setting up of a Sports Regulatory Board of India to oversee the functioning of the national Olympic committee (NOC), national sports federations (NSFs) and other sports bodies of the country. The board could be a big step towards regularising good governance and seamless coordination between all stakeholders. The bill also says that the NOC and all NSFs must be affiliated with the board. However, the ministry should be mindful not to infringe on the autonomy of the NOC or NSFs. According to the International Olympic Committee charter, there should be no third party interfering in an NOC's governance.

One of the most talked about points is who the board's designated office-bearers would be and their term. The new Indian Olympic Association constitution calls all executive council members office-bearers, while the bill, which follows the Sports Code, considers only the president, secretary general/secretary and treasurer as office-bearers. The tenure of the office-bearers seems ambiguous, too. As per the code, the secretary and treasurer can at most serve two consecutive four-year terms, followed by a cooling-off period and another four years. But the IOA constitution allows a maximum of 12 years for office-bearers.

Another highlight is a proposed appellate sports tribunal. Right now, there are multiple cases in the Delhi High Court involving NSFs. Administrators are governing some of the NSFs on court directives. Several court orders and directives have been issued to NSFs to follow the Sports Code. If the appellate panel is formed, all these will end as the draft bill says "all civil cases concerning matters coming under the scope of this bill and in which the NOC, NPC or an NSF has been impleaded as party" that are pending in the lower judiciary or a high court would be transferred to the tribunal. Its success will depend on the judges chosen and the cases handled. It should surely not end up like the current NSF governance mess. It's a bold move by the government but its success will depend on smart implementation.

QUICK TAKE

MAKING TRACKS SAFER

IT'S worrying to know that at least 24 attempts have been made since June to derail trains by placing objects on the tracks. Though the Railways admit that derailments have increased this year, most of the cases of sabotage were foiled. On Sunday, a loco driver spotted a gas cylinder on a line in Uttarakhand and averted a disaster. Similar cases of sabotage have also been reported from Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Gujarat. It's time we asked why some northern states perennially see many more cases of derailment than others. Apart from conducting more security sweeps along sensitive stretches, we must prioritise the technology we need to improve vigil.

Dark patterns are well-crafted interface design tricks that seek to gain at the consumer's expense. This festive season, buyers must watch out for such shady practices

BEWARE THE SHADY TRAPS OF E-COMM THIS FESTIVE SEASON

HARISH BIJOOR
Brand Guru & Founder, Harish Bijoor Consults

MANDAR PARDIKAR

DUSSEHRA is done with and Diwali is ahead. Before, within and in between these two festivals, India buys up the goodies it loves. Even as the Dussehra sales close, online marketplace sales have touched a record ₹55,000 crore ($6.5 billion) in one week. Even as the Diwali festive season begins and the card parties start, a whole market of buyers and sellers is ecstatic and ready to buy and sell even more.

India's online retail market is today all of $75 billion in value. As online retailers and their close cousins in direct-to-consumer e-commerce (D2C players) celebrate and prepare to sell more during their Diwali sales, I look at the consumer side of dynamics and peek at a rather concerning soft-underbelly issue of e-commerce and the virtual format of selling and buying. Harry Brignull, a London-based user-experience (UX) designer calls it a 'dark pattern'.

E-commerce dark patterns are really bad practices purposely ingrained into websites we buy from. Brignull calls it out to be "deceptive practices carefully crafted to trick users into doing things not in their interest". These are scientifically crafted UX tricks that seek to gain at your expense. Must you watch out for these, even as you participate in the buying frenzy that has just closed and is equally about to unfold ahead?

For a start, let me call a spade a spade. When you buy on an e-commerce platform, you give a lot. You pay with your time, money, and equally your privacy. The data you leave on the platform is something that gets to become footsteps you have left behind that will be followed to make you buy more. The important point to insist on is that you want to be responsibly used. You are being used as a customer, but you want it to be done with responsibility and with least irritation, aggression, deceit and the marketing UX lie.

Let me take you through a short journey of the dark patterns a typical and irresponsible e-commerce platform would indulge in. Thankfully, we have a few responsible players who avoid it all.

The big one is what I call the 'buffet effect'. A typical 24-course buffet has a whole host of goodies laid out with a method to the layout's madness. You have a salad counter, a cheese layout, starters, the live counter where the dish is put together in front of you, the main course and a most deliciously placed dessert counter.

When you hit the buffet, there are two types of people. The minority set is one that goes about with a method, picking things carefully, at times the salad and cheese first. Once done, the attack is on the live counter. And then comes the starter-platter and finally if you have the space, the main-course. The dessert is of course never missed.

At a recent sales conference at a 5-star hotel, I took my plate and just hovered around the buffet surreptitiously till the 62 in the group had taken their first helping. The result: Only three did what I just explained. The rest did the nasty.

The plates were loaded with everything in one go, except the dessert (even though I spotted two add that as well to the overloaded plate). And big heaps of everything. The lunch break meant a long queue of 62. The buffet-goers wanted it all at once, without the effort of walking back and forth again and again. And when most heap their plates, it is with an irrational feel of wanting to try everything on offer, and not miss out on anything. The quantities taken are also not well thought out. If you actually look at what's leftover on the plate at the end, a typical restaurant buffet has a wastage of anything between 3 and 23 percent of eatable food by volume.

I take this buffet tale as an analogy to what happens at some e-commerce sites. The site lures you with the array on offer. You are taken through every item with a method to the madness. The most premium offering that makes the most in terms of margins need not necessarily be at the top of the heap displayed. It can be displayed right in the middle between the ostensibly most expensive and the ostensibly cheapest. The clever idea is to make you land up in the middle and buy that one item cleverly placed. This is a dark pattern for sure.

There is a method to the way things are placed on an e-commerce site. There is a method in the colour used to code prices, the fonts, and literally everything else. Behind it all is a UX-designer, a UX-sociologist, a UX-psychologist, a UX-statistician, and many other UX consumer scientists who are planning it all at the back-end.

Unlike the prepaid buffet counter, at the e-commerce platform, you pay as you go. The idea of the buffet organiser here (the e-commerce portal in this case) is to make you see the array and pick what the portal wants you to. There is more margin in some and less in others. The objective of the e-commerce platform is to maximise it all. The dark pattern players are those who are doing this scientifically at the back-end. In a way you are being played with. And that is a dark pattern practice.

There are many such ploys. Among the big ones are the 'trunk sale effect'. Out here, the feeling is that stock is running out. The trunk will be opened once. Those who line up and pick first get the best. Get to the buffet and pick the best pieces of chicken from the chicken curry. Those who come later will only get the gravy and the bad pieces.

Limited colours, the last few pieces (listed in numbers), the recently bought numbers listed alongside, the bait-and-switch approach where you are baited by a big offer, but when you go to buy it, you are told it is sold out. Instead, you are offered another item with a smaller discount. The 'discount shaming' lines where you are asked to click a box that says, "I will miss this offer", or an even worse, "I don't want this discount". The hidden extra fee at checkout, the 'nagging' messages in your remarketing mailbox, are all pieces of dark patterns we are exposed to.

Let's watch out then as we go in and buy. Let the buyer beware. On a more responsible note, may we ask our e-commerce portals to proudly display a "No Dark Patterns used in our UX" sign to make it more comfortable to hang at your website?

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THE U.S. MEDIA WAR IS ALSO A CLASS STRUGGLE

C P SURENDRAN
Poet, novelist, and screenplay writer. His latest novel is *One Love and the Many Lives of Osip B*

IN Kurt Vonnegut's *Slaughterhouse-Five*, a novel on the pointlessness of war, the tragicomic soldier-hero, Billy Pilgrim, overhears his friend Rosewater telling a psychiatrist: 'I think you guys are going to have to come up with a lot of wonderful new lies, or people just aren't going to want to go on living.' If we equate the shrink with the establishment, Rosewater makes a lot of sense.

In a democracy, our basic freedom is to determine the leader to give a voice to our favourite fiction. Lies are not entirely pejorative—they could be aspirations, such as when we dress up to hide our poverty or when an elderly person goes easy on his age so he won't be counted out. A lie is a wish, a hope. Only a few leaders can offer it with conviction.

This November, it is the turn of the Americans to elect their leader. In short, they must choose what lies they will be told, and by whom.

There was a time when a guide to the electoral world in the US was the media. But with the legacy media losing its authority and the emergence of the new social media—in which every consumer is a potential authority, broadcasting his or her version of the world—the old guidelines do not hold. A billionaire like Elon Musk, with 200 million followers on X, has greater reach than most newspapers. Typically, Musk goes against the idea of all traditional wisdom. If the world is a coin, Musk is ever flipping it.

In one corner, we see the traditional American media—*The Washington Post*, *New York Times* and *CNN*—teaming up with the Democrats fronted by Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. The other, alternative media is personified by Musk, whose takeover of Twitter (now X) was intended to "destroy the woke virus".

A few weeks ago, Mark Zuckerberg, effectively admitting his social platforms had connived with the Democrats during the last presidential elections, sent a letter to the Biden administration that Meta would be taking an independent stand this time. So the Democrats are, in effect, losing the information technology war. Only last week, Hillary Clinton spoke in favour of censorship of social media platforms.

The US media environment is fragmented. Traditional gatekeepers like *The Post* and *The Times*, whose stated visions are social justice, equality and progressive policies, shape narratives that resonate with urban, educated elites and large swathes of middle-class liberals. Naturally, they have thrown their weight behind Harris.

On the other hand, alternative platforms are emerging as the new force in political discourse. Musk's endorsements of Trump—through his tweets and his reshaping of X's policies to allow more space for radically conservative voices—represent a powerful shift in the media landscape.

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> American legacy media caters to the educated elites, whereas alternative platforms like X, podcasts and fringe sites speak to a more populist, middle-American base. So with Elon Musk throwing his weight behind Donald Trump and Meta not taking sides this time, the Democrats are at a disadvantage in the online space

The undeclared war between legacy and alternative speech forums isn't just a media war; it's also a class struggle in disguise. Legacy media tends to cater to the coastal elites and the highly educated, whereas alternative platforms like X, podcasts and fringe sites speak to a more populist, middle-American base. When alternative channels of communication gain popularity, it is not just legacy media that is threatened—the powers and interests of their mostly urban readership are threatened, too.

As authority in general is undermined—a play-out begun by the Woke in their fight for justice for the historically suppressed races and genders— the Americans are realizing they are living through an age without heroes.

Trump, despite being a billionaire, positions himself as the anti-elite candidate. This was the man who, playing himself in the reality show *The Apprentice*, made a fetish of firing people at the drop of a nickel. He now sells himself as the new white hope, sympathetic to the underachievers of inner America.

While the US is deeply divided on many domestic issues—immigration, abortion rights, economy and social justice—both Democrats and Republicans seem united in their support for Israel, though that country's offensive in Gaza has been disproportionate.

Why is there such a consensus, even as progressive factions within the Democratic Party express discomfort over the Gaza crisis? The answer lies in the interests of the military-industrial complex. For decades, Israel has been one of the largest recipients of US military aid, and American defence contractors immensely benefit from this arrangement.

Companies such as Lockheed Martin, Raytheon and Boeing have seen billions in profits from defence contracts with Israel. In 2023, Lockheed Martin alone reported $66 billion in net sales with a significant portion of that coming from foreign military sales, including to Israel. Republican or Democrat, the US cannot do without wars. Remember the 2003 invasion of Iraq based on the threat of non-existent 'weapons of mass destruction'? Hundreds of thousands lost their lives. As I said, in a democracy we get to decide who speaks the lie. But there is a little more to it this time—if Trump wins, so does X. But not the *NYT*—which, incidentally, had supported the Iraq invasion.

No matter who wins, though, the American 'deep state' goes untouched. Now that is a truth. If you mess with that, the world order changes. Deep down, few of us are ready for it: we are mostly a bit of liars ourselves.

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Show arrangements

Ref: *Chennai airshow deaths show organisers' failure* (Oct 14). It's indeed quite disheartening that five people lost their lives due to the lack of adequate safety precautions. One fervently hopes the government makes proper arrangements at least in such future gatherings.
TK Panduranga Rao, Chennai

Crowd management

While the Tamil Nadu government and the Indian Air Force tried their best to gather many people to witness the magnificent airshow, they utterly failed to manage the crowd. Giving a solatium is not enough. A dutiful government should be effective and efficient to meet the situation.
S Chockalingam, Kottaram

Diverting police

There is no gainsaying the fact that on grand occasions like the airshow, the police are obliged to divert a sizeable portion of their force for the security of VVIPs, VIPs and their families, to the detriment of proper traffic control and orderly gathering of spectators.
N Rama Rao, Chennai

Gandhian thinking

Ref: *Remembering a great Gandhian scholar in India* (Oct 14). Today's Congress leaders have become blind devotees to the westernised thinking of Jawaharlal Nehru. They should read Dharampal's book The Beautiful Tree to realise how far the West has ruined our native genius and inherent strength.
G Nataraja Perumal, Elathur

Kanchipuram's energy

Ref: *Kamakshi temple in the South Indian salvation city* (Oct 14). The Kamakshi temple in Kanchipuram is a profound testament to India's rich cultural and spiritual heritage. Dedicated to Ambal, it embodies the sacred feminine energy central to many Indian traditions, particularly the worship of Shakti. With architectural influences from the Pallavas and Cholas, it reflects the deep-rooted reverence for divine feminine power. Its significance extends beyond religious rituals, symbolising the cultural continuity and the vibrant tapestry of India's ancient heritage.
Narayanan Kizhumundayur, Thrissur

J&K chapter

The end of president's rule in J&K, giving way to an elected government, will be the beginning of a new era there. The people's elected government will have its task cut out to assure welfare in the state. Despite its limited power, the democratic government will try better to realise people's aspirations.
D V G Sankara Rao, Vizianagaram

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Jagat Prakash Nadda @JPNadda
In response to Congress being Urban Naxals, Mallikarjun Kharge calling BJP a terrorist party reflects Congress's desperation and ideological emptiness.

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
The coming of elections and the worsening of the communal atmosphere is not a coincidence. The public understands everything.

P. Chidambaram @PChidambaram_IN
If reports of 'surge pricing' in hospitals (ET) are true, it is a practice that must be stopped immediately by the government.

Maha CM to be decided only after polls: Cong

Allies, including Shiv Sena (UBT) and NCP (SP), on the same page on contesting election, says Ramesh Chennithala

PREETHA NAIR @New Delhi

AHEAD of the Maharashtra assembly elections, the Congress on Monday asserted that the Maharashtra Vikas Aghadi (MVA) would not project a chief ministerial face. All the alliance partners, including Shiv Sena (UBT) and NCP (SP), are on the same page on contesting the election without a chief minister face, AICC in-charge of Maharashtra Ramesh Chennithala told this newspaper. Chennithala said the priority of the Opposition coalition is to defeat the MahaYuti alliance.

The Election Commission of India (ECI) is expected to announce polls dates for Maharashtra and Jharkhand soon.

The Congress leader said that the MVA alliance partners have reached a consensus on 90% seats in Maharashtra. "Projecting a chief ministerial face is not an immediate priority. Shiv Sena (UBT) and NCP (SP) are in agreement with us on this," said Chennithala, who was in New Delhi to attend a meeting called by the party with Maharashtra leaders. The meeting was attended by Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi and other top state leaders.

On the Haryana results, he said that the party would not repeat the mistakes in Maharashtra. "Haryana results are a lesson for us. We will work together and stay united. There wouldn't be any infighting," Chennithala said, adding that the party would take caution to choose the most viable candidates. "We will assess the ground situation and choose the best candidates," he said.

When asked about allies upping the ante against Congress after the Haryana debacle, he dismissed any rift in the alliance. After the Haryana results, an editorial published in Saamana, the mouthpiece of Shiv Sena (UBT), accused the Congress of being arrogant and attributed the defeat to factional feud and mismanagement. "Saamana editorial was about national issues. It wasn't Maharashtra specific," he said.

While caste and raging quota rows have taken centrestage in Maharashtra, Chennithala said that the Congress would continue with its main plank of nation-wide caste census. "Caste census is the answer to the questions on reservation. Rahul Gandhi has been saying this. All concerns regarding reservation can be addressed through caste census," he said.

Have offered to resign as Haryana in-charge: Babaria

AICC Haryana in-charge Deepak Babaria on Monday said he has offered to resign from his post, taking moral responsibility for the assembly poll defeat. Babaria said he offered his resignation to the high command soon after the result of the Haryana assembly polls came out but no decision has been communicated to him. "Last week, after the results, I offered to the high command that you can replace me."

MahaYuti sops: No toll for light vehicles, school buses at Mumbai entry points

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

AHEAD of the Maharashtra Assembly polls, a cabinet meeting headed Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on Monday decided to waive road tax (toll) for light vehicles on all five access check nakas in Mumbai from October 14 night.

The decision will cost the state exchequer about Rs 5,000 crore as the cost of foreclosure for the agreement inked with the five toll firms by Maharashtra State Road Development Co-operation (MSRDC).

After the cabinet meeting, Shinde called the decision as historic. "People from across Maharashtra come at these entrance points, so there are jams. People have been demanding exemption of toll charges," he said.

"Some of the people went to the court also therefore I have come up with a tangible solution. The Mahayuti government has given relief to light motor vehicles by exemption at toll gates. This will help save time, besides pollution and traffic will also be reduced," said Shinde.

The state government also formed a committee under the chairmanship of the state chief secretary for the compensation to be paid to the State Road Development Corporation due to the road tax exemption. "The cost of this compensation, around Rs 5000 crore, will be given to toll firms through MSRDC as part of the foreclosure amount," said a senior government official.

As per the cabinet note, light vehicles, school buses and state transport buses will be exempt from road tax. The cabinet also decided to name the State Skills University after Ratan Tata.

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> Eknath Shinde, Chief Minister

Toll firms to get ₹5K cr

The cost of the compensation, around ₹5,000 crore, will be given to toll firms through MSRDC as part of the foreclosure amount, a senior government official said.

'EC should look into complaints of battery strength'

FORMER Chief Election Commissioner **OP Rawat** says the ECI should look into the complaints registered about the battery strength of 99% in EVMs after the counting, as in cases of normal voting, there should not be more than 60-70% of charge in the device. In an interview with **Mukesh Ranjan**, he, however, contended that in cases where the polling is not much, batteries can have the charging strength of 95 to 99%. Yet it is a matter of probe and the ECI should initiate one. **Excerpts:**

How do you look at the conduct of the Assembly polls in J&K?
I'd say elections in J&K that took place after a long gap are quite encouraging. This is victory of democracy in the Union Territory, as voters' participation was very high with almost nil incidences of violence.

According to you, who should be given credit for this encouraging trend?
I will give credit to the people/voters of the UT for this. However, for organising such a mammoth democratic exercise in such an efficient manner, the credit also goes to the field officials and the security forces, who conducted the polls at the booth level.

Congress says some of the EVMs showed 99% charge strength even after the conclusion of the counting?
First of all, we need to understand why batteries are used in EVMs. All the EVMs are standalone and to keep them so, we do not use plug-in power supply. If plug-in and wires are used to activate EVMs, doubts could be raised about them for being used for hacking. Even if using batteries is more costly, we continue to use them to keep the voting machine insulated from the external world.

I don't understand how the level of charge in the battery can affect the vote count. I personally think that for the satisfaction of the complaining parties, the ECI should take some measures to investigate and do a random check.

In the event of normal (1,000 votes) voting with one machine, the charge-level should come down to 60-70%.

Though, I am not aware, the ECI must be seized of the matter. In cases where polling is very little, battery charge can remain at 95 or 96 or 99% level. It is a matter of investigation on a case-to-case basis.

Why do the EVMs still remain the target of the political parties?
It has a history dating back to the 2009 general election. It was for the first time that the losing party had targeted the EVMs. Despite the EC throwing up a challenge in 2017 to hack its machines, representatives of only two parties turned up. But they too claimed that they had not come to take up the challenge, but to learn more about the functioning of EVMs. I think the machine is the most silent opponent of the losing parties.

What are your thoughts on poll percentage differences shown by the EC within a few hours?
One needs to see the bigger picture. The ECI in the election time draws poll personnel from among the existing government servants. Different personnel have differing competence: there are those who have entered the government office with 33% passing marks. At the same time, there are meritorious personnel. We need to work with the average. While staff of some polling booths report correct data in time, others fail to do so. In that case, the ECI has to correct and deliver data in public domain.

What do you have to say on claims that the EVM rigging and polling booth capturing could be done by political parties?
Capturing polling booths is a thing of the past after the introduction of EVMs. For 1,000 votes, after capturing the booth, one has to stay within the premises for nearly 20,000 seconds, which means over 333 minutes and nearly 6 hours. In that situation, information can reach the higher-ups and corrective measures can be taken.

Even EVMs cannot be rigged. It is so secure that not a single vote can go anywhere.

Since the poll results are notified, what is the remedy available with the aggrieved parties?
The only option is to file a petition in a high court.

Oppn MPs walk out of Waqf Bill panel meet, may approach Speaker

PREETHA NAIR @New Delhi

WITH the Centre asserting that it will pass the Waqf (Amendment) Bill 2024 during the upcoming session of Parliament, Opposition MPs are mulling to approach the Lok Sabha Speaker to address several concerns about the Joint Parliamentary committee examining the proposed legislation. The committee has to submit its report to the Lok Sabha by the last day of the first week of the next Parliament session.

A meeting of the JPC on Monday saw chaotic scenes after several opposition MPs staged a walkout, alleging that the panel failed to function in accordance with rules and regulations. Several MPs, including Gaurav Gogoi and Imran Masood of the Congress, DMK's A Raja, Shiv Sena (UBT)'s Arvind Sawant AIMIM's Asaduddin Owaisi, SP's Mohibbullah and Sanjay Singh of the AAP, stormed out of the meeting and expressed strong sentiments against its proceedings. While the Opposition members held a separate meeting, sources said that they are likely to approach the Speaker to discuss their concerns.

Speaking to reporters, Sawant said that the JPC is not functioning in accordance with rules and regulations. Sawant along with other MPs said that personal allegations were allowed to be levelled against senior Opposition members like Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge by a person who was deposing before the committee.

They alleged that presentation of Anwar Manippadi, former chairman of Karnataka State Minorities Commission and Karnataka Minorities Development Corporation, was not about Waqf Bill. "Anwar was making unnecessary allegations against the Karnataka government and Kharge, which is not in accordance with the committee," said a member. However, the committee headed by BJP MP Jagdambika Pal continued with its proceedings.

ED told to move HC for vacating stay on trial against Koda in laundering case

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday in its order asked the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to approach the high court for vacation of stay on the trial against former Jharkhand chief minister Madhu Koda in a money laundering case.

The ED, which is the probe agency in the case investigaing Koda's alleged role, has challenged the November 8, 2023 order of the Jharkhand High Court which while admitting the plea of Koda against framing of charges under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) had ordered for stay of further proceedings in the trial court.

A two-judge bench of the top court, led by Justice Sanjiv Khanna and also comprising Justice Sanjay Kumar was told by the Additional Solicitor General (ASG) SV Raju, appearing for the ED, that 25 out of the 77 witnesses have been examined.

The special PMLA court in Ranchi had framed charges against Koda and five others under provisions of the PMLA pertaining to around ₹3,500 crore.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

Plea against J&K L-G's powers rejected

The SC refused to entertain a plea challenging the power vested in the J&K L-G to nominate five members to the Legislative Assembly of UT. The top court asked the petitioner to approach the high court.

The SC on Monday suggested that the plea of the ED before the top court will be kept pending and meanwhile the agency can approach the high court for vacation of the stay on trial. Raju agreed and sought direction for expeditious disposal of their application to be filed before the high court.

The bench directed the matter for further listing of ED's plea on November 25 and asked the high court to consider the application of the agency within seven days of filing. "Bring the relevant facts to the knowledge of the HC and meanwhile we are keeping your petition pending here," the bench said.

Relief to Tharoor in defamation proceedings

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Monday in its order extended by four weeks the stay on the trial court proceedings against Congress MP Shashi Tharoor in a defamation case filed for his alleged "scorpion on Shivling" remark targeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

A two-judge bench, led by Justice Hrishikesh Roy and also comprising Justice SVN Bhatti has granted four weeks' time to Delhi Police and the complainant to file their responses to Tharoor's plea.

"The interim order (of stay on the defamation proceedings) to continue," the bench said in its order on Monday.

Tharoor had in September last week moved SC against a trial court's order seeking his personal appearance on Tuesday in the defamation case.

Govt sitting over proposal dealing with medical negligence for 2 yrs, says RTI

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

THE Centre is sitting over its proposal to amend the National Medical Commission (NMC) Act 2019, which allowed patients and their relatives to approach its ethics board against the decisions of the State Medical Councils (SMC) in complaints of medical negligence and misconduct against doctors, for the past two years. Currently, there is no provision for patients to challenge the decisions of SMCs regarding the medical negligence of doctors.

The health ministry made a provision and proposed an amendment to the NMC Act in 2022. But despite that, the government has yet to notify it, says RTI activist Dr K V Babu.

"Both the elected government and NMC are competing with each other to continue the illegality of denying the right to appeal by the patients against the SMC decision. Otherwise how can the Union Health Ministry still sit over the amendment to NMC Act, which has been in the public domain since December 2022 and the files regarding it were approved in May 2023 itself," asked the Kerala-based ophthalmologist.

Babu, who has filed several RTIs in this regard, said in its reply on October 8 the health ministry informed him that the NMC Act 2019 is "under consideration with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare ministry." When a patient from Tamil Nadu approached the NMC this year, it replied on September 4 that "...as per existing NMC Act 2019, only registered medical practitioners can apply for first appeal in NMC."

When NMC was formed in 2020 after the dissolution of the Medical Council of India (MCI), the provision was not added, although MCI had included it.

As the need was felt, the health ministry proposed an amendment in the NMC Act 2019 to incorporate the provision for patients/their relatives/complainants to prefer an appeal in the EMRB against the decision/action of SMC in complaints related to medical negligence/professional misconduct. The proposal was published for comment on December 29, 2022.

In its August 23, 2023 notification, the NMC said, "...it is clarified that Indian Medical Council (Professional Conduct, Etiquette and Ethics) regulation, 2002, shall come into force immediately." But there has been no move to implement it, though patients have the right to appeal. "Now, the NMC's Ethics and Medical Registration Board (EMRB) is not allowing appeals, though their notification of August 2023 allows it. This is a violation of the patient's right," Babu said, adding that since September 25, 2020, ever since MCI was dissolved, there has been no provision to appeal for the patients.

Proposal mooted

The health ministry made a provision and proposed an amendment to the National Medical Commission Act in 2022. However, the government is yet to notify it, says RTI activist Dr K V Babu. The act allows patients and their relatives to approach its ethics board against the decisions of the State Medical Councils in complaints of medical negligence.

Army ropes in civilian copters for remote posts

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

IN a move aimed at bolstering logistics support to remote forward posts, the Indian Army has entered into a first-of-its-kind contract with civil aviation service providers for helicopter support to the posts along the Northern and Western borders that are cut off during the winter, Army officer said on Monday.

Under this, civil aviation helicopters would be employed instead of Army's own aviation or Air Force assets. This will not only reduce costs but preserve the service life of military helicopters for more critical roles in combat or emergency scenarios, the officers said.

"The contract, executed for a period of one year, will ensure that 16 remote posts in the Jammu region are sustained throughout the year, while another 28 posts in Kashmir and Ladakh will benefit from this support for 150 days next year," said an officer aware of the development .

"This shift is not just about reducing costs; it is a strategic move to preserve the service life of military helicopters for more critical roles in combat or emergency scenarios. By leveraging civil aviation for routine logistics tasks, the Army ensures that its combat aviation fleet remains ready for more mission-critical operations," the officer added.

The helicopters, provided under the contract, will operate from seven mounting bases in Ladakh, two in Kashmir, and one in the Jammu region, covering a total of 44 posts.

The step is seen as an example of civil-military fusion and leveraging the PM GatiShakti initiative launched in October 2021 for providing multimodal connectivity infrastructure to various economic zones. The mounting bases have come up under the Border Area Development and PM GatiShakti's infrastructural development push, which focuses on building an integrated and efficient logistics network across India's borders, officers said.

The contract's terms specify that the civil aviation service provider will manage the entire load-carrying effort required to sustain the posts inaccessible during the winter. "The helicopters will ferry food, fuel, medical supplies, and other essential items, ensuring that these high-altitude positions remain fully operational and well-supplied during winter," the officer quoted above said.

Adding to the list of benefits, the Indian Army's initiative "will also validate the use of civil aviation infrastructure in case of wartime contingencies, ensuring that these assets and facilities can be repurposed for military needs if required."

The success of this contract is not limited to logistics, sources added. "It has far-reaching implications for the development of these remote areas. The use of civil aviation in border regions opens up new opportunities for tourism and local economic development, which were previously unthinkable due to the lack of infrastructure," a source said. "Plans are already in motion to expand the model to other strategic regions, including Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and the North-east," the source said, adding this will bring the same logistical efficiency and developmental potential to these high-altitude regions, which remain critical to India's national security framework.

ENGINEER MURDERED
A software engineer was fatally stabbed when he objected to four men drinking liquor after crowding around his parked scooter in Jabalpur city, police said on Monday

2 NAXALS HELD IN C'GARH'S BIJAPUR

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	42	27	Mumbai	35	29
Bhopal	43	28	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	41	30	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	40	23	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	39	30	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	36	26	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	18	08	Chandigarh	42	23

Cong to get 1 berth in Omar cabinet, Farooq in RS likely

Formula may help NC run a smooth coalition govt with Cong in J&K

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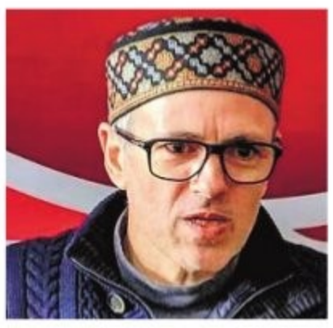

AS the Jammu and Kashmir government can have only ten ministers, which includes the chief minister, and the Congress won only six seats in its worst-ever performance in the 2024 Assembly polls, the National Conference may offer one cabinet berth to the party in the NC-Congress coalition government to be headed by Omar Abdullah and one Rajya Sabya seat from the union territory.

The NC may also send its president and three-time former CM Farooq Abdullah to Parliament by fielding him from one of the four Rajya Sabha seats. He neither contested the parliamentary polls nor the recently held Assembly elections.

Four Rajya Sabha seats from J&K are vacant due to the absence of an Assembly. Now that the polls have been held and the Assembly will shortly convene, the Election Commission of India may start the process of filling four vacant RS posts from J&K. With 55 members supporting the NC-Congress coalition government, it may get three RS seats, while the BJP, which emerged as the second largest party with 29 seats, may get one. As NC and Congress had forged a pre-poll alliance, NC may offer one seat to Congress and send two of its members, including senior Abdullah, to the Rajya Sabha. This formula may help NC run a smooth coalition government with the Congress.

As per the J&K Reorganisation Act, J&K UT will have a council of ministers of not more than 10 percent of a total number of members in the Assembly. J&K has a 90-member Assembly, and there is a provision for the nomination of five members by the Lt Governor, which will take the strength of the house to 95.

The cabinet formation would be a tight walk for NC, which secured 42 seats in the 90-member Assembly and received support of five independents, six members of ally Congress, one CPM MLA and lone AAP MLA. Given the performance of Congress, which has only six members, the party can only offer one ministerial berth to it, insiders in NC said. "However, we don't want our equation with Congress to be affected by this and the party is discussing with Congress leadership giving one RS seat to it from the four vacant RS seats in J&K," they said.

Soren raises aid to women ahead of polls

MUKESH RANJAN @Ranchi

IN a decision ahead of the upcomming Assembly polls in Jharkhand, the state raised the monthly honourarium of ₹1,000, given under 'Mukhyamantri Maiyan Samman Yojana,' to ₹2,500. It will be effective from December this year.

A total of 29 proposals were passed during the Cabinet meeting on Monday. Notably, the JMM-led coalition government in Jharkhand launched 'Mukhyamantri Maiyan Samman Yojana' in August this year, under which ₹1,000 is being sent to the bank accounts of the women in the age group of 18-50 years. As of now, three installments of ₹1,000 each to over 45 lakh women have already been sent under the scheme.

"Now, instead of ₹1,000, the beneficiaries of 'Mukhyamantri Maiyan Samman Yojana' will be given honourarium of ₹2,500 from December this year," said Cabinet Secretary Vandana Dadel during a media briefing on Monday. There are nearly 50 lakh beneficiaries of this scheme all over the state, she added. The financial assistance now promises ₹2,500 to every woman on 11th of every month.

BJP may contest 9 seats, leave 1 for RLD in UP bypolls

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

HARYANA assembly poll outcome seems to have pushed the ruling BJP to be more accommodative as far as the jat support is concerned. The saffron brass, which was apparently contemplating to contest all the 10 Uttar Pradesh bypoll assembly seats itself, may now leave one seat in western UP for ally Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD).

As per sources, the ruling party has finalised the names of the candidates for nine seats except Meerapur segment in Muzaffarnagar and it may go to the RLD. In fact, Meerapur seat has been vacated due to the victory of sitting RLD MLA Chandan Chauhan from Bijnor Lok Sabha seat for the lower house of parliament in recently concluded general elections.

Significantly, in a high-level meeting in Delhi on late Sunday evening, the party's Central leadership put its seal on the names of the candidates for the nine seats. However, the announcement is likely to made only after the Election Commission of India (ECI) issues notification for the bypolls.

In the meeting presided over by Union Home Minister Amit Shah and BJP chief JP Nadda at his residence, it was decided to offer the Meerapur seat to the RLD. However, the party refused to concede any seat to the Nishad Party though it had a sitting MLA Dr Vinod Bind in Majhawan Assembly segment in Mirzapur.

Bind won on BJP symbol in Lok Sabha election from Bhadohi. Hence NISAHD party chief Dr Sanjay Nishad had been demanding Majhawan to contest in bypoll. As per sources, BJP UP chief Bhupendra Chaudhury along with both the deputy CMs – Keshav Maurya and Brajesh Pathak have been deputed to convince Sanjay Nishad to relinquish his claim to the seat.

UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, both the deputy CMs, Keshav Prasad Maurya and Brajesh Pathak, BJP State President Bhupendra Chaudhary, among others were present.

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Poll in-charges in J&K, Haryana at receiving end

After below par performance of the Congress in Haryana and Jammu & Kashmir assembly elections, two senior Gujarat Congress leaders—former Union minister Bharat Singh Solanki and strategist Deepak Babaria — were at the receiving end. Babaria, who has been with the central Congress team for 13 years, was appointed the party's in-charge for Haryana, and Solanki was tasked with managing J&K polls. Their reputation was at stake but they failed to deliver. Babaria struggled to resolve party's conflicts. Despite public anger over farmers' grievances and wrestlers issue, the Congress failed to capitalise on them.

Leadership change likely in BJP after Maha polls

Following the BJP's sweeping victory in the Haryana assembly elections, there is growing talk within the Gujarat ruling party about an imminent leadership overhaul in the state. Sources aware of the matter suggest that after the key Maharashtra assembly polls are over, Gujarat BJP could see a new state president. Current Gujarat BJP chief CR Patil, who also serves as Union Jal Shakti Minister, may relinquish one of his roles to streamline responsibilities. After he was inducted into the Union cabinet, Patil had expressed his desire to be relieved of the party post.

Buzz over Hindutva leader's RSS reunion

A political buzz is doing the rounds in Gujarat political circles as a prominent Hindutva face, earlier linked with the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh and BJP, reportedly met RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat in Nagpur around Dussehra. This Gujarat leader had been sidelined by the BJP after multiple public clashes with Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He launched his own Hindutva-centric party in Gujarat, though it failed to gain significant traction. Now, speculation is rife that the Sangh has reached out to him, with sources suggesting a possible reunion in the coming days. The leader may dissolve his Hindutva party and rejoin the Sangh's fold.

Lost 35 cadres in encounter on Oct 4: Maoists

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THE outlawed CPI (Maoist) issued a press statement citing that they had lost their 35 'comrades' in an exchange of fire with the security forces along the inter-district border area of Dantewada and Narayanpur in south Chhattisgarh on October 4.

Officially the toll of Maoist cadres killed in the fierce gunbattle was 31, the highest ever achieved in any anti-Maoist operation so far in Chhattisgarh and cited to be the Maoists' biggest loss in their four-decade revolutionary history in the conflict-ridden Bastar. It is believed that the four rebels engaged in gun-battle might have later succumbed to their critical injuries, taking the toll to 35.

In the note, the banned outfit has listed the names of their comrades killed in the gunfight along with the positions they held in the organisation. The Bastar police after the October 4 encounter had then suspected that Maoist brigade might have suffered more casualties as the ultras in their usual practice carry the injured or bodies of their cadres while fleeing.

On 16 April this year, 29 cadres of Maoists were neutralised, the earlier big casualty inflicted by forces in one of the biggest offensives planned in Kanker district, north Bastar.

RG Kar deadlock deepens as talks between docs & govt fail amid hunger stir

SULGANA SENGUPTA @Kolkata

WITH junior doctors continuing their hunger strike demanding justice for their RG Kar college hospital victim, the state chief secretary on Monday convened meetings with various doctors' bodies to resolve the impasse. However, the meetings failed to break the stalemate, as citing the absence of written assurance, the doctors decided against calling off the stir.

Meanwhile, the state government is preparing for Tuesday's puja carnival, which will showcase Durga idols and pandals from around the state. In response, the junior doctors plan to organise a "Droher carnival" on the same day to highlight the medical scams during this government's tenure. They have invited the chief minister and secretary to join their carnival.

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Meanwhile, the senior doctors who met with the chief secretary on Tuesday termed the demands of the junior doctors "relevant", adding that it is the state government's duty to take up the issues seriously.

Earlier in the day, the junior doctors organized a rally at the Raj Bhavan to meet the Governor and express their grievances about the state government's apathy towards their demands.

"We cannot accept what the CBI has stated in its charge sheet – only one person was behind the crime. We demand a quick and transparent investigation of the rape and murder of our sister at RG Kar Hospital," said Debasish Halder, a junior doctor. After meeting with the Governor's representatives, the junior doctors said the they were assured that it would look into the matter.

Main conspirator's brother in police net, tight security at Salman's house

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

TWO days after the killing of NCP leader Baba Siddique, the Mumbai Police has stepped up security outside superstar Salman Khan's Galaxy Apartment in Bandra.

The plot to kill Siddique is said to have been hatched by Lawrence Bishnoi, who is jailed in Gujarat's Sabarmati jail and runs his crime syndicate from behind bars. Bishnoi is also allegedly behind a firing incident outside actor Salman Khan's residence on April 14. His gang members have repeatedly threatened the superstar.

Salman Khan is known to have been a close friend of Siddique. Meanwhile, Pravin Lonkar, the brother of a key conspirator in the case, was produced in a Mumbai court and sent to police custody till October 21.

Pravin along with his brother Shubham "enlisted" two of the three alleged shooters in the Siddique murder case, an official said. The police called Pravin Lonkar a "co-conspirator" and said they were looking for his brother Shubham. This is the third arrest in the Siddique murder case.

The killing of Baba Siddique was meticulously planned, police sources said on Monday.

Siddique, a three-time former MLA and former state minister, was coming out of his son and Bandra East MLA Zeeshan Siddique's office when the three shooters fired multiple rounds at him on Saturday night. He sustained multiple injuries and was pronounced dead during treatment.

The Lonkar brothers drafted two alleged shooters -- UP resident Dharmaraj Kashyap and Shivkumar Gautam. While Gautam is on the run, the police have arrested Kashyap and another alleged shooter, identified as Gurmail, a native of Haryana. The official said police went to Pune looking for Shubham Lonkar but did not find him there.

Three culprits

Three persons are said to have shot the NCP leader dead at Kher Nagar in Mumbai's Bandra area outside his MLA son Zeeshan Siddique's office on Saturday

Punjab, Haryana link emerges in Siddique killing

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

MOHAMMAD Zeeshan Akhtar (21), linked to the killing of Baba Siddique, is on the run. He belongs to a village in Punjab's Nakodar town and has nine criminal cases registered against him. Akhtar allegedly tipped off the three shooters about Siddique's location.

Another suspect in the shooting is Gurmail Singh (23) who belongs to Haryana and has several cases, including a murder case, registered against him, police in two states said.

Akhtar was arrested for organized crime in 2022 and sent to Patiala Central Jail from where he was released on June 7 this year following which he met Gurmail in Haryana's Kaithal. In the jail he reportedly met Lawrence Bishnoi's aides who allegedly gave him a "contract" to kill Siddique, sources said.

Akhtar allegedly helped the three key accused in arranging accommodation. Gurmail is learnt to have been "disowned" by his family.

Communal tension grips UP town a day after boy killed in firing incident

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

THE communal tension, which gripped Mahsi tehsil of Bahraich district following the killing of one person by the bullet fired by members of other community when a procession carrying idol of Goddess Durga was on way for immersion on Sunday, witnessed a further escalation with protestors resorting to arson and vandalism against the district police on Monday.

Meanwhile, taking strict action on the directives of UP DGP, district police authorities suspended Station House Officer of Hardi police station and Mahsi chowki incharge. Moreover, 30 troublemakers including Salman, the main accused of Sunday unrest, were arrested in connection with the incident on Monday.

The district police have registered an FIR against the six identified trouble makers named Salman, Abdul Hamid, Faheem, Sahir Khan, Maroof Ali, Sarfaraz and 24 unidentified persons. The BNS section related to murder has been invoked against the accused.

A firefighter tries to extinguish a fire ignited by miscreants at a shop | PTI

Meanwhile, a hospital, a bike showroom, a medical store, some shops and some houses were torched on Monday after violence erupted in Mahsi tehsil area under Hardi police station during Durga idol immersion on Sunday. The local administration suspended internet services across Bahraich district.

While one person — Ramgopal Mishra — was killed, several others were injured after two communities clashed over the music being played in procession carrying Durga idol for immersion in the Mahasi area on Sunday.

The communal conflagration spread to rural areas as well with arson reported from Chandpaiya and Kabadipurwa villages. Following the directives of UP CM Yogi Adityanath, home secretary Sanjeev Gupta and ADG (Law and Order) Amitabh Yash were rushed to Bahraich. Moreover, four officers of SP rank, two additional SP, six CO, a company of Rapid Action Force (RAF) and half a dozen additional PAC companies were sent to the strife-torn district. On Monday morning, the police had to resort to lathi charge as the protestors demonstrating against the killing of Ram Gopal Mishra had turned violent.

"We are trying to control the situation," said Bahraich DM Monika Rani. Notably, on Sunday, when the procession carrying the idol of Goddess Durga for immersion was passing through an area, an argument took place between the two groups over the music being played by the devotees.

Crackdown on narco-trade will continue: Shah

MUKESH RANJAN @New Delhi

COMMENDING the efforts made by Delhi and Gujarat Police forces in seizing drugs worth ₹13,000 crore, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday said that the hunt against narco-trade and its syndicate would continue with full vigour, as the government has 'zero-tolerance' against the menace to protect youth.

In one of his 'X' posts Shah said, "I congratulate Delhi Police for the series of successful operations seizing drugs worth ₹13,000 crore, including the recent one with Gujarat Police recovering cocaine worth ₹5,000 crore. The hunt against drugs and narco trade will continue with no laxity."

"The Modi government is committed to building a drug-free Bharat by protecting our youth from the scourge of drugs," the Home Minister added. On October 13, in a joint operation of Delhi and Gujarat Police forces, seized at least 518 kilograms of cocaine from Ankleshwar and five people were arrested. The officials said the new seizure was connected to the recovery of 700 kilograms of cocaine in Delhi.

Home Minister Amit Shah hails Delhi, Gujarat cops for drug seizure worth ₹13K crore

With this, 1,289 kg of cocaine and 40 kg of hydroponic marijuana, worth over ₹13,000 crore, have been recovered so far and the number of arrests in connection with the case has risen to 12. A senior Delhi Police official said, during investigations into the previous seizure of 700 kg of cocaine, the Special Cell found the drugs were brought from Awakar Drugs Limited Company in Ankleshwar.

On Sunday, a team of the Special Cell was sent to Gujarat and the cocaine was recovered from the company's godown, he said, adding five people were also arrested from the spot.

He said that the accused are being further interrogated regarding the alleged international syndicate running from Dubai and the UK.

On October 2, the Special Cell seized more than 560 kg of cocaine and 40 kg of hydroponic marijuana estimated to be worth ₹5,620 crore from a godown in south Delhi's Mahipalpur and arrested four people. Two others were subsequently apprehended from Amritsar and Chennai.

3 directors of Gujarat firm held after drug bust

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FIVE people, who were arrested in connection with a drug bust in Gujarat's Ankleshwar, will be taken to Delhi for further investigation, police said on Monday. In a joint operation on Sunday night, the Delhi and Gujarat police seized 518 kg of cocaine worth around ₹5,000 crore from the Awakar pharma company in Ankleshwar.

The company's three directors were among the five arrested. The operation was conducted by the joint team after Delhi Police discovered that the 700 kg of cocaine seized in Delhi days ago had been supplied by the Awakar company.

"The five arrested accused were produced in a court in Ankleshwar, where police got a 72-hour transit remand to take them to Delhi for further probe," a police official said.

20 seats
were won by Lithuania's Social Democratic Party in first round of polls

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Beijing	21	10	SNY	Los Angeles	24	15	SNY
Colombo	29	26	LR	Melbourne	25	14	SNY
Dhaka	33	26	SNY	Moscow	8	4	LR
Dubai	36	29	SNY	New York	14	6	SNY
Houston	35	17	SNY	Singapore	30	25	LR
Istanbul	22	14	SNY	Toronto	9	5	LR
London	16	14	LC	Washington	15	11	LR

At least 21 killed in Israeli airstrike on apartment building in Lebanon

The attack was on a Christian heartland, far from the Hezbollah's influence in south, east

BEIRUT

AN Israeli airstrike hit an apartment building in northern Lebanon on Monday, killing at least 21 people, according to the Lebanese Red Cross.

There was no immediate comment from the Israeli military and it was not clear what the target was. The strike hit a small apartment building in the village of Aito, which is part of the country's Christian heartland in the north and far from the Hezbollah militant group's main areas of influence in the south and east.

Videos from Lebanese media showed a large plume of smoke rising from the hilly village, with several destroyed cars next to a severely damaged building, as people tried to remove bodies from beneath rubble and trees.

The strike came a day after a Hezbollah drone attack on an army base in northern Israel killed four soldiers — all of them 19 years old — and severely wounded seven others in the deadliest strike by the militant group since Israel launched its ground invasion of Lebanon nearly two weeks ago.

Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant briefed his US counterpart Lloyd Austin on Monday on the deadly Hezbollah drone attack and vowed "a forceful response" by Israel.

Sixty-one people were wounded in Sunday's attack. Hezbollah has fired thousands of rockets, missiles and drones into Israel over the past year, killing more than 60 people, although most have been intercepted by Israel's air defence systems or hit open areas.

Earlier on Monday, an Israeli airstrike on a hospital courtyard in the Gaza Strip killed at least four people and triggered a fire that swept through a tent camp for people displaced by the war, leaving more than two dozen with severe burns.

The Israeli military said the strike in Gaza targeted militants hiding out among civilians, without providing evidence. In recent months it has repeatedly struck crowded shelters and tent camps, alleging that Hamas fighters were using them as staging grounds for attacks.

Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital in the central city of Deir al-Balah was already struggling to treat a large number of wounded from an earlier strike on a school-turned-shelter that killed at least 20 people when the early morning airstrike hit and fire engulfed many of the tents.

Several secondary explosions could be heard after the initial strike, but it was not immediately clear if they were caused by weapons or fuel tanks.

Hospital records showed that four people were killed and 40 wounded. Twenty-five people were transferred to Nasser Hospital in southern Gaza. *AP*

Palestinians look at the damage after an Israeli strike hit a tent area in the courtyard of Al Aqsa Martyrs hospital in Deir al Balah, Gaza Strip, on Monday | AP

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STEPPING UP

Kyiv destroys army transport plane in Russia

KYIV

KYIV said on Monday its forces had destroyed a Russian military transport plane stationed at an airfield deep inside Russian territory over the weekend, the latest Ukrainian claim of an attack behind Moscow's lines.

Ukraine has stepped up attacks inside Russian territory in recent months, targeting military sites and energy facilities, aiming to upend Russian military logistics.

Kyiv's military intelligence agency said it had destroyed the Tu-134 transport aircraft overnight between Saturday and Sunday at a military airfield in the Orenburg region, which lies around 1,000 kms from the border with Ukraine.

"These Soviet-built airplanes are used mainly to transport leadership of the Russian defence ministry," the Defence Intelligence of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine said on social media.

The agency posted footage of what Ukraine said was an arson attack, showing a blaze burning inside an aircraft, but it did not provide details of how the alleged attack was carried out.

There was no immediate comment on the specific claims from Moscow.

Since the start of its invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, Moscow has detained hundreds of people for alleged sabotage and arson attacks on military, railway and other infrastructure sites.

Meanwhile, Russia said it has captured the village of Levadne in southern Ukraine as it probes for weaknesses along the war's roughly 1,000-km frontline, including in eastern areas which currently are the main focus of Moscow's military effort before winter arrives.

Ukrainian authorities, meanwhile, reported no nighttime Shahed drone attacks on the country for the first time in about six weeks, after saying five days ago it struck a Shahed storage facility in Russia's Krasnodar region where some 400 drones reportedly were being kept. *AP/AFP*

Another armed man at Don's rally, no shots fired at ex-Prez

LOS ANGELES

A Nevada man with a shotgun, loaded handgun, ammunition and several fake passports in his vehicle was arrested at a security checkpoint outside Donald Trump's rally on Saturday night in Southern California, authorities said. He was released the same day on $5,000 bail.

The suspect, a 49-year-old resident of Las Vegas, was driving an unregistered black SUV with a "homemade" license plate that was stopped by deputies assigned to the rally in Coachella, east of Los Angeles, Riverside County Sheriff Chad Bianco said at a news conference on Sunday afternoon.

The driver claimed to be a journalist but it was unclear if he had the proper credentials. Deputies noticed the interior of the vehicle was "in disarray" and a search uncovered the weapons and ammo, along with multiple passports and driver licenses with different names, Bianco said.

The man was arrested on suspicion of possessing a loaded firearm and possession of a high-capacity magazine, the department said in a statement. "This incident did not impact the safety of former President Trump or attendees of the event," the Saturday statement said. Trump had not yet arrived at the rally at the time of the arrest, the sheriff said. The suspect is scheduled to appear in court on Jan 2, 2025, according to online records. Bianco declined to speculate about the suspect's motives or frame of mind. "We know we prevented something bad from happening, and it was irrelevant what that bad was going to be," Bianco said. AP

1.25 lakh marooned in Sri Lanka after flooding

COLOMBO

THREE people have lost their lives and over 1,25,000 marooned after Sri Lanka witnessed extreme weather conditions in 12 districts prompting authorities to close all schools in the capital region on Monday after heavy rains trigerred floods in the island nation.

President Anura Disanayake has directed allocation of an additional LKR 50 million to provide relief to the affected people even as Sri Lankan Navy and army troops have been deployed for flood relief and rescue work, including to provide food and other essentials to the affected people. The island nation has been pummelled with heavy rainfall since October 8, however, some districts received rainfall over 100 mm over last two days along with high winds leading to flash floods and inundation in several areas.

Forecast issued at 12 noon on Monday warned of further rainfall of over 100 mm to lash many areas across the nation over next 24 hours.

As on Monday morning, over 32,000 families have been affected, and over 1,25,000 marooned, the Disaster Management Centre (DMC) said, adding, thousands have been evacuated and placed in over 80 temporary shelters. Three deaths have been confirmed so far, the DMC said, without providing details about the persons or locations.

Sri Lankan authorities have closed schools in the capital Colombo and suburbs on Monday due to the extreme rainfall and floods. The President Anura Disanayake has directed officials to prioritise immediate relief for those affected by adverse weather in Colombo, Gampaha, Puttalam, and Kalutara, his Media Division posted on its X handle. *PTI*

EXPRESS READ

Nepal teen returns home to hero's welcome

Kathmandu: A Sherpa teenager who became the youngest person to scale all the world's 14 highest peaks returned home to Nepal on Monday to a hero's welcome. Nima Rinji Sherpa, 18, reached the 26,335-foot summit of Mount Shishapangma in China last week, completing his mission to climb the world's peaks that are more than 8,000 metres (26,247 feet) high. *AP*

IMF asks Pak to end agri, textile subsidies

Islamabad: The International Monetary Fund asked Pakistan to swiftly end preferential treatment, tax exemptions and other protections for the agriculture and textile sectors, which it says, have stifled the country's growth potential for decades, a media report said here on Monday. The IMF blamed these two sectors for failing to contribute adequately to the national revenue, but also for consuming large portions of public funds. *PTI*

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Note: This Publication is given in accordance with the Complaint given by me, dated 08-10-2024, Lost Report No. 1278456/2024 filed before the City Police, Bangalore.
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Place: Bangalore Date: 10-10-2024

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Chief Workshop Manager EMU Workshop, Mahalaxmi, Mumbai - 400013, invites, **E-Tender Notice No.: EL90/MX/2024-25/01RT2 dtd. 10.10.2024. Name of the work**: Work of Heavy repair of Roof (Pantograph area), Flooring & Underframe in Siemens EMU Rakes as per scope of work in EMU Workshop, Mahalaxmi. (Qty-13 Rakes). **Approx. cost of Work**: ₹ 10,26,38,506.34/-. **EMD**: ₹ 6,63,200/-. **Date and Time of submission of tender & opening of tender**: Tender submission up to 12:00 Hrs. on 25.10.2024 (Electronically). For the details please visit **www.ireps.gov.in**. 0625
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Caution to General Public against buying/dealing with respect to below mentioned property which is the subject mater of **K.SC-ST(BE)44/2024 on the file of Assistant Commissioner, Bangalore North Division, Bangalore.**
It is brought to the notice of the public at large that my client SRI. Venkateshappa S/o. Late. Yelappa urf Ammayappa one of the legal heir of originally grantee Sri Meeya S/o Kikka has instituted the above said case. against 1. Sri. D. S. JOTHI RAJAN, 2. SRI. B. MUTHYAM REDDY, 3. SMT. PRASANNA.S., 4. M/s. B. MEENA REDDY CONSTRUCTIONS PVT LTD., Represented by its Executive Director, 5. M/s. CREATIVE DEVELOPERS, Represented by its Managing Partners 6. Mr. SHARAN DEO SHARMA, 7. Mr.ASHRAM PRASAD SHARMA, 8. Mrs. SMITA SHARMA 9. Mr. G. SUDHAKAR NAIDU, 10. Mrs. G.VIJAYA LAKSHMI, 11. Sri. MADHAV NAIDU .T, 12. Smt. REKHA MADHAV.T, 13. Mrs. CHALLA RAJESWARI,, 14. Mrs. JAYANTHI. S, 15. Mr. MADALAM SRIRANGANATH, 16. Mrs. MADALAM RAMADEVI, 17.Mr. EVURU SASIDHAR, 18.Mrs. MADALAM GREESHMA, 19. Mr. KANDYALA NARAYANASWAMY RAJENDRA NAIDU, 20. Mrs. K.SUBHASHINI, 21. Mr. P. HEMANTHA REDDY, 22. Mrs. N. SUREKHA, 23. Mr. HARISHA, 24. Mrs. ASHWINI, 25. Mr. K. HARISH, 26. Sri. BHEEMA SRIMAN KUMAR, 27. Smt. SRILAXMI BHEEMA, 28.Mrs. BEJAWADA RAGHUPATHI SOWMYA, 29. Mr. BOLLU SATYANARAYANA,, 30. Mrs. BEJAWADA RAGHUPATHI SOWMYA, 31. Mr. KARTHIK SRINIVAS REDDY VATTAM 32. Mr. THIKKAVARAPU PRABHAKAR REDDY, 33.Mr. K.JAYACHANDRA NAIDU and the Hon'ble authority has granted status quo order in respect of the property and Notice is hereby given to the public in general not to deal with above said persons in respect of the below mentioned property in any manner whatsoever without the consent of my client.
SCHEDULE
All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Sy.No.7/1, measuring 2 acres situated at Thubarahalli Village, Varthur hobli, earlier Bengaluru South Taluk, Now Bangalore East taluk, bounded on: **East by:** Davandahalli Chikkannaya Siddapura's Bachappa's Land, **West by:** Munikollala Gomala, **North by :** Chikkamuniagana's Land, **South by:** Chinnappa's Land
Sd/- **Y. ESHWARAPPA**, Advocate
No.45, 1st Floor, Near Shree Sai Gold Palace, DVG Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004. Date:14-10-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
This notice is issued on behalf of my client **Mr. Raghavendra .N S/o. Nagaraju .V**, to bring this notice of the general public that the mentioned Original registered sale deed bearing Doc. No. 341/1995-96, Book-I, Volume-5439, at Pages 28to 30, dated: 20-04-1995 in the office of the sub-registrar, Bengaluru, was lost.
If any person/s, firm, company, institution or organization has any claim are holding the above mentioned document, they shall return the same or contact the undersigned in writing within 10 days from the date of this notice failing which it will be presumed that there is no claims.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Khaneshumari Site No.795, Situated at Laggere Village, Yeshawanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, and bounded on:
East by: Property belongs to Mukunda, West by: Road, North by: Property belongs to K.Muthu, South by: Property belongs to Siddalingaiah.
Measuring EW-30 feet and NW-20 feet total measuring 600 Sq.Ft.
Smt. Suneetha .H.P., Advocate
S R Law & Associates
#609, 1st Main, Kamalanagara, Bangalore-79, Mob:9886920788.
E-Mail : srvakil.ka15@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
The notice is hereby given to public that our client Mr.B.Reddappa Reddy is intending to mortgage the property with Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited.
If any person or persons or financial institution or Bank has any claim over the schedule property or any person or persons claim any right, title or interest, over the schedule property, the same may be lodged with the undersigned within seven days from today, along with relevant documents, failing which it will be presumed that the schedule property is free from any such claim and any claim received thereafter will not bind my client and would not be considered by my client.
SCHEDULE :
All that piece and parcel of immovable Property bearing Gramathana House List No.4, Khatha No.44/18, BBMP Khatha No.522/493/387/46/18/4, Situated at Bommanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now within the limits of BBMP Bangalore, Measuring East to West 40 ft, and North to South 30 ft, in all Measuring 1200 Sq.ft, along with Ground floor 800 Sq.ft, First floor 1000 Sq.ft, Second floor 1000 Sq.ft, Third floor 1000 Sq.ft., Constructed with RCC roofed house, and bounded on the: East by – Road, West by – Property No.9, North by – Property No.05, South by – Private Property.
V.L. Associates
Advocates
No.56, Out House, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.
Ph: 94819 00851/ 9743323668.
Place: Bangalore Date: 14.10.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE
My client **(1) Sri. KUMAR.S**, 51 years, S/o. Subramani, R/at No. 2, 1st Cross, Muduappa Garden, Srirampura, Bengaluru-21 **(2) Smt. D. SAVITHA**, 34 years, W/o. Devaraj. A, R/at No.12/6, 5th Cross, Venkateshwara Layout, Mahadeswara Nagara, Viswaneedam, Bangalore-91, intends to purchase the below mentioned property from Smt. M.H. PUSHPA, 60 years, W/o. Sri. B. Shivanna, residing at No.5/525, 100 Feet Road, Ashok Nagar, Mandya, Karnataka-571401.
Any person/s having/asserting any right, title, interest, claim or intending to oppose the purchase in any manner may contact the undersigned and offer his/her/their version, in writing within ten days from the publication of this notice with relevant documents, failing which my client would proceed to complete the sale transaction.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the residential Site bearing No.536, Katha No.574/536, BBMP Ward No.72- Herohalli, private layout formed by Syndicate Bank Employees House Building Co-operative Society Limited situated in Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore, measuring East to West 50 feet and North to South 80 feet, totally measuring 4000 Square feet and bounded on: **East by :** Site No.535, **West by :** Site No.537 North by : Site No.539, **South by :** 40 Feet Road
KARTHIK.S, Advocate
No.517, 10th 'F' Main, Rajajinagar, 6th Block, Bengaluru-560010. Mobile: 9738777056

IN THE 89th Addl. COMMERCIAL COURT AT BENGALURU (CCH-90)
COMM.O.S. NO. 999/2024
Between :
AXIS BANK LIMITED
Having its Corporate & Registered Office at Trishul, 3rd Floor, Opposite Samaratheshwar Temple, Near Law Garden, Ellis Bridge, Ahmedabad-380006, And Branch Office at Plot No.41, Sheshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009. ...Plaintiff
AND
Mr. Aslam Baig ...Defendant
APPLICATION UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF C.P.C
Summons to Defendant
Mr. Aslam Baig, Proprietor of 4S Granites & Marbles, S/o Mr.Suban, No.5, 1st Cross, Near Manjunatha Bakery, Jelly Machine Gate, Bettadasapura, Begur Post, Bengaluru-560068.
WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.10,71,567/-** (Rupees Ten Lakh Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Seven Only) together with interest thereon at the rate 24% p.a., with costs etc. You may take notice that you are hereby directed to appear before this court, in person, or through pleader on **06.11.2024 at 11.00 a.m.,** to answer as to why relief prayer for in the suit should not be granted. If you fail to appear on the above said date, the suit will be proceeded with and decided ex-parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **07/10/24.**
By Order of Court
City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Advocate for Plaintiff
S.A. Associates, No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore-560047.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XXX ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCCH-31)
P & SC No. 205 of 2024
BETWEEN: Sri. AMITH SHANKAR JANIVARA UMESH, aged 32 years, Son of late Janivara Parameswariah Umesh, Residing at No.184, Summer Street, Apt No.804, Stamford, Cannectuicut-06901. United States Rep by his mother and GPA Holder Smt. Lakshmi Umesh, Residing at No. 34/7, 38th A' Cross, 8th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560070. ... **PETITIONER**
AND: Nil ... RESPONDENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas the above Petitioner has filed a petition under section 372 of the Indian Succession act before this Hon'ble court to pass an order issuing succession certificate in the name of Petitioner for collecting the N.R.O (Non Resident Ordinary) Vide No.64208212028, in State Bank of India; Entire amounts in respect of SBI life Insurance policy SBI Life vide Customer No. 45318303/Policy No.IH004950507 Product Name: SBI Life - Retire Smart LP with all benefits and interest; Any other moveable assets in the name of Janivara Parameshwaraiah Umesh with all benefits and accrued interest. The Petitioner is the son of late Janivara Parameswariah Umesh who passed away on 31-05-2023.
Interested person's desire to oppose the said petition or claim any interest shall appear before the Hon'ble Court (CCCH-31) XXX Addl. City Civil and Sessions Judge in person or by a pleader on duly instructed on **29/10/2024** at **11:00 A.M** failing which take notice that the petition will be heard and succession certificate will be granted in favour of the Petitioner.
Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 14/10/2024
By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Advocate for Petitioner: **B. SRINIVAS**
Associates & Advocates
No. 230, 39th C Cross, 9th Main, V Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560041.

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AND
Smt. Vijayamma ...Defendant
APPLICATION UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 20 OF C.P.C
Summons to Defendant
Smt. Vijayamma, Proprietor of V S H Enterprises, W/o Sri. V Rajashekhar, No.136, 5th Cross, 6th Main, Srigandhakavalu, Herohalli, Mallathalli, Bengaluru - 560091.
Whereas the Plaintiff has instituted a suit against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.15,65,479/-** (Rupees Fifteen Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Nine Only) together with interest thereon at the rate **24% p.a.,** with costs etc. You may take notice that you are hereby directed to appear before this court, in person, or through pleader on **30/10/24 at 11.00 a.m.,** to answer as to why relief prayer for in the suit should not be granted. If you fail to appear on the above said date, the suit will be proceeded with and decided ex-parte.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Hon'ble Court on this **07/10/24.**
By Order of Court
City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Advocate for Plaintiff
S.A. Associates,
No.10, 7th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore-560047.

PUBLIC NOTICE
This is to bring to the notice of General Public that our Clients are purchasing the Site property, which is morefully described in the schedule hereunder from its owner **Mr. Shivanna .M, S/o Munivenkatappa, Aged about 62 years, residing at No.1, near Shobha Apartment, Maruthi Layout, Dasarahalli, H.A Farm Post, Bengaluru - 560 024.** Any person having any right, claim or interest over the Schedule property may lodge their objections/claims in writing to the undersigned, with documentary proof within 15 days from the date of this publication. In the event of no claim being received within the stipulated 15 days, our client will proceed with further transactions to purchase the Schedule Property, and no claim/s will be entertained after the said period.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.79, carved out of Sy.No.45/6, having House List Khata No. 546, BBMP (old No. Sl.No.7550) New Sl.No.7632, Property No.546/79, 10th Cross, Maruthi Layout situated at Dasarahalli Village, K.R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk - 560024 (earlier Bengaluru South Taluk), now comes within the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Paalike (BBMP) limits, Ward No.6, Thanisandra, Bengaluru, measuring East to West:40 feet, North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq.Ft., and bounded on the
East By : House Site No.102, West By : Road, North By : Road, South By : House Site.No.80
Karigowda Henchinamane .S, Advocate
M.K Law Chambers, New No.83 & old No.24, 3rd Floor, Between 8th and 9th Cross, 4th Main Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560 003. Phone No. 9243972007

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public are hereby informed that My Client **Mr. N Ravi S/o. Nagashamappa, R/a. No. 15/23 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Marenahalli, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560040** had got the Schedule Property through Partition Deed Dated **05-08-2022** and intends Mortgage the Schedule Property more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder and referred as Schedule Property in **"Bajaj Housing Finance Limited"**.
Notice is hereby given to the General Public that if any persons, entity, company, firm, institution has or claims any right, title, interest, pending Litigation, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien or demand or any other interest of whatsoever nature in or upon the Schedule Property or any part thereof, the same may be brought to the notice of the undersigned in writing together with all details and documents in support of such claim **within 07 (Seven) days** from the date of this Notice, failing which it shall be deemed that the aforesaid owners has a clear and marketable title to the schedule Property and that none else has any right, title, interest or claim whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property and my client would be at liberty to proceed to purchase the schedule Property. Any Claims received after the expiry of the period mentioned above shall neither be entertained nor be binding on my client.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY:
All that piece and parcel of property in Sy.No.39-1, measuring 2 acres 01 gunta, including the 02 guntas, situated at Bhaiyyandahalli Village, Dasanpur Hobli, Bangalore Uttar Taluk, and bounded on:
East by: Property belonging to Sri. Lingappa and Schedule B property in Sy.No.43-3 of Sri. Lakkappa, West by: Property belonging to Sri. Doddaya, North by: Schedule B property in Sy.No.39-1 of Sri.Lakkappa, South by: Property belonging to Smt. Paramashivamma.
Mohan Ram B R, Advocate
#47/1, 1st Floor, Austin Plaza, Austin Town, Bengaluru - 560079.
Contact No. 8722671564
Date : 14-10-2024 Bengaluru

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"All the tenders issued by CIL and its Subsidiaries for procurement of Goods, Works and Services are available on website of Coal India Ltd **www.coalindia.in** / respective Subsidiary Company, CIL e-procurement portal **https://coalindiatenders.nic.in** and Central Procurement Portal **htttps://eprocure.gov.in**. In addition, procurement is also done through GeM portal **https://gem.gov.in**".

WESTERN RAILWAY
REPLACEMENT WORKS
Sr. DSTE/North/Mumbai Central, 2nd Floor, Division Railway Manager's Office, Mumbai Central, Mumabi - 400008, invites **Tender Notice No.: SG_216_2_96-97-98_WA, Dtd. 10.10.2024. Work and location**: Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Multi Section Digital Axle Counter with Electronic Interlocking (E.I) system at Auto Hut along with outdoor signaling work, in connection with Replacement of overaged ALSTOM / SIEMENS / ABB make AFTCs in Sanjan - Udhana Auto section of Mumbai Division Western Railway. **Approx. cost of work**: ₹ **44,23,06,538/-. EMD**: ₹**23,61,500/-. Time & Date for closure for submission of E-Tender Documents:** Till 15.00 hrs., on **14.11.2024**. For the details please visit **www.ireps.gov.in**. 0624
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BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Civil Engineering Department, Central Office, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru - 560027.
No.BMTC/CO/CE/EE/1064/2024-25 **Dated: 14.10.2024**
E-PROCUREMENT SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 18 /2024-25
Tenders are invited from reputed demolition contractors / Agencies for demolition of main building with repair bay at Depot-06, Indiranagar, Bangalore (RCC roof main building & repair bay with AC Sheet roofing consists of steel trusses) (2nd Call) **"as is where is basis"** located at Indiranagar. The Earnest money Deposit:-**Rs.1,00,000 /-.**
(1) Receipt of tenders:-**23.10.2024** , Date of opening of tender: **25.10.2024.**
(2) Any other information required can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer, BMTC Central Office, KH.Road, Bangalore-27 during working hours.
Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, BMTC.

MATSYAFED
E-TENDER NOTICE
E-Tenders are invited for the "Printing and Supply of Matsyafed Information Guide 2025".
E-Tender ID: 2024_MFED_695760_1
Last Date : 21/10/2024. Tender form and conditions may be downloaded from www.etenders.kerala.gov.in for additional details please contact at the below address.
SD/-, MANAGING DIRECTOR
KERALA STATE CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION FOR FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT LTD (MATSYAFED)
KAMALESWARAM, MANACAUD P.O, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695009
Ph: 0471-2458606, 2457172, 2457756
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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

S. No	Name of the work	Estimated cost Put to tender value (Amount in INR)	Cost of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (Amount in INR)	Online Tender opening date
1	Construction of Shore protection bund in front of Administrative office Building at V.O.Chidambaranar Port	3,22,53,752	6,45,076	01.11.2024
2	Establishment of Maritime Heritage Museum at V.O.C Port.	3,20,00,000	6,40,000	05.11.2024

Note:
For eligible tenderers, downloading of bid documents from the NIC e-tendering website:
i) https://etenders.gov.in/eprocure/app
ii) https://www.vocport.gov.in
Sd/-
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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER		FOREX	
591.69	Sensex	81,973.05	50	24 carat (10 gm)	₹77,770	1 kg	₹97,000	Dollar	84.05
163.70	Nifty	25,127.95	50	22 carat (10 gm)	₹71,300	10 gm	₹970	Euro	91.64

Q2 RESULTS : Mainstay oil-to-chemical segment was hit by unfavourable global demand-supply dynamics; telecom revenue improved on recent increase in tariff

RIL profit falls 5% to ₹16,563 cr; O2C under pressure, Jio shines

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

BILLIONAIRE Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) on Monday reported a near 5% drop in its consolidated net profit during the second quarter of the financial year 2024-25 (Q2FY25) as the company's mainstay oil-to-chemical (O2C) segment was hit by falling prices and lower demand.

During Q2, RIL's net profit fell to ₹16,563 crore as against ₹17,394 crore in the year-ago period. Total revenue from operations remained almost flat YoY to ₹235,481 crore. The O2C segment, which contributes over half of RIL's revenue, saw its EBITDA margin getting contracted by 300 bps and EBITDA falling by 23.4% to ₹12,413 crore in Q2FY25. Exports fell 15.7% YoY to 70,631 crore. Revenue of this segment grew 5.1% to ₹155,580 crore. "Unfavourable demand-supply balance led to 50% fall in transportation fuel cracks and continued weakness in downstream chemical deltas," said RIL in a statement.

In Q2FY25, global oil demand rose by only 0.8 mb/d YoY (vs 2.5 mb/d in 2Q FY24) to 103.9 mb/d. Dated Brent averaged $ 80.2/bbl in Q2FY25 down $ 6.6/bbl YoY. Crude oil benchmarks fell YoY due to lower-than-expected demand growth, especially in China. "Increasing supplies from non-OPEC players pushed prices lower even though OPEC+ countries extended voluntary production cuts. Further, domestic polymer and polyester demand fell by 5% and 7% ,respectively, due to seasonal factors in Q2," said RIL.

Jio Infocomm saw a surge of 17.7% in revenue to ₹37,119 crore and a 23.4% jump in PAT to ₹6,539 crore, thanks to the recent tariff hike. Average revenue per user (ARPU) rose to ₹195.1, up 7.4% YoY in Q2. Full impact of tariff hike will flow through in next 2-3 quarters, it said. The tariff hike led to a fall in customer base to 478.8 million in Q2FY25 from 489.7 million in Q1FY25.

Reliance Retail Ventures (RRVL) reported a marginal fall in revenue to ₹76,302 crore while PAT remained flat at ₹2,836 crore. RRVL said growth was impacted by weak fashion and lifestyle (F&L) demand, continued focus on streamlining of operations and a calibrated approach to B2B business to improve margins. Oil and gas segment saw EBITDA of ₹5,290 crore (up 11%) and revenue of ₹6,222 crore (down 6%) in Q2.

"Our performance reflects robust growth in digital services and upstream business. This helped offset weak contribution from O2C business which was impacted by unfavorable global demand-supply dynamics. Growth in digital services was led by increased ARPU and improving customer engagement metrics reflecting strong value proposition of services," said Mukesh Ambani, Chairman and MD of RIL.

MUTED QUARTER

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D-Mart profit rises 5.8% to ₹659.6 crore

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

AVENUE Supermarts Ltd Reported a 5.8% year-on-year increase in net profit in Q2FY25 to ₹659.6 crore, compared to ₹623.6 crore in the same quarter previous fiscal (Q2FY24).

The revenue rose 14.4% annually to ₹14,444.5 crore, up from ₹12,624.37 crore in Q2FY24.

The second quarter results missed the analysts' expectations, reinforcing pre-result concerns from brokerages.

This was because of slow growth in store additions and increased competition from quick commerce players like Blinkit continue to weigh on its performance, according to analysts.

The company's earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortisation (Ebitda) increased 29.3% to ₹1,093.8 crore, compared to ₹846 crore in the previous year. Consequently, Ebitda margin expanded to 7.6%, improving from 6.7% year-on-year. As quick commerce continues to grow, Avenue Supermarts faces mounting pressure to compete in this space.

HCL profit up 11% at ₹4,235 crore; raises '25 revenue growth guidance

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

IT services firm HCLTech on Monday reported better-than-expected earnings for the second quarter ending September 30, which has given it confidence to raise the lower end of its FY25 revenue growth guidance from 3%-5% to 3.5%-5%.

The company has posted a 10.5% increase in Q2 net profit at ₹4,235 crore as against ₹3,832 crore in the same quarter last year. It beat Street estimates and posted 8.2% growth in revenues at ₹28,862 crore as against ₹26,672 crore in the year-ago period. Sequentially, its net profit was flat as it posted ₹4,257 crore profit in the June quarter.

During the Q2 press conference, HCLTech CEO and MD C Vijayakumar said they are seeing good demand in financial services and that it is extending to other verticals. "We are a little cautious about extrapolating this for a longer period of time. We are going to take it one quarter at a time," he said. The CEO pointed out that they could see weakness in the demand environment since November-December 2022. He said the firm's pipelines continue to grow robustly and that its GenAI offerings like AI Force and AI Foundry are resonating very well with the company's clients. Its EBIT stood at ₹5,362 crore (18.6% of revenue), up 8.7% YoY and its contract value was at $2,218 million. HCLTech expects its EBIT margin to be between 18% and 19% in FY25. The IT major saw its total headcount falling by 780 employees in Q2 and LTM attrition at 12.9%. Its chief people officer Ramachandran Sundararajan said HCLTech is continuing with its campus programme. "We are into FY26 cycle now, and our focus is more on specialisations. We have added 4,000 freshers till now in this fiscal," he said.

Its employees will get salary increase starting this month. Sundararajan said the hikes are linked to performances and there will be a 7% average wage hike in India, and top performers will get 12-14% hike. In Q2, telecommunications, media, publishing & entertainment vertical grew by 61.2% YoY, followed by manufacturing at 7.1%. It has declared a dividend of ₹12 per share.

Shiv Walia, CFO, HCLTech, said, "Our EBIT margins in Q2 rose to 18.6%, up 149 bps sequentially. LTM Return on Invested Capital (ROIC) stands at a solid 35.7% at company level and 43.5% at services, an expansion of 353 bps YoY and 403 bps YoY, respectively."

We are into FY2025-26 cycle now, and our focus is more on specialisations. We have added 4,000 freshers till now in the current financial year

Ramachandran Sundararajan, chief people officer, HCL Tech

'Power generation capacity needs to rise 4-fold by 2047'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE country will be required to increase its power capacity fourfold by 2047 to meet anticipated demand of 708 gigawatts, according to power minister Manohar Lal.

Speaking at the two-day Brainstorming Session on the Indian Power Sector Scenario 2047, he emphasised the critical role of renewable energy in the country's future energy mix.

"By 2047, we anticipate our power demand to reach 708 Gw. To meet this, we need to increase our capacity by four times, i.e. 2,100 gigawatts," said the minister. "This is not just about increasing capacity; it's about reimagining our entire energy landscape."

The minister also highlighted the goal of achieving 500 Gw of non-fossil energy capacity by 2023, stating that this transition aligns with India's commitment to reducing carbon emissions by one billion tonnes by 2030. The power minister also launched the National Electricity Plan (Transmission), which outlines the necessary transmission infrastructure to support 500 Gw of renewable energy capacity by 2030, with an increase to over 600 Gw by 2032.

The plan includes innovative features such as the integration of 10 Gw of offshore wind farms, 47Gw of battery energy storage systems, and 30 Gw of pumped storage plants. It also addresses the power needs of green hydrogen and green ammonia manufacturing hubs and includes cross-border interconnections.

With a planned addition of 190,000 circuit kilometers of transmission lines and 1,270 gigavolt-amperes (GVA) of transformation capacity over the next decade, the plan represents an investment opportunity exceeding ₹9 lakh crore in the transmission sector.

'Need PLI scheme for transmission equipment'

INDIA should explore need for a production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for critical transmission equipment to improve its renewable energy transmission capacity, said power secretary Pankaj Agarwal on Monday. Speaking on the sidelines of the inaugural session of the Brainstorming Conclave on the Indian Power Sector in New Delhi, he also mentioned that it will ease the strain on global supply chains and boosts its renewable energy infrastructure. *ENS*

Retrospective levy of cess bleeds auto sector

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE retroactive clarification issued by the GST Council regarding compensation cess is causing significant turmoil in India's automobile sector as companies are now facing show cause notices demanding payment on past vehicle sales.

As per sources, carmakers have received tax notices worth ₹10,000 crore for failing to pay compensation cess, which is part of the goods and services tax (GST), on utility vehicles sold prior to the issuance of clarification in 2022. This issue affects several popular models in the segment, including Mahindra's Thar and Scorpio, Tata Motors' Safari and Harrier, and Maruti's Brezza, among others.

In 2022, the Council had issued clarification with regard to application of cess on all utility vehicles and SUVs with certain criteria for prior period. The companies are now getting the show cause notices. "The most damaging aspect of this retroactive application is that companies can't pass the tax burden to customers. Vehicles have already been sold and automakers can't go back and charge the cess to previous buyers," said Abhishek Rastogi, founder of Rastogi Chambers.

Sudipta Bhattacharjee, partner with Khaitan & Co, said, "Unfortunately, the ghost of retrospective taxation seems to have reared its head yet again. The issue arises from an explanation of 'ground clearance' that was added post the 50th GST Council meeting – since it was added as an 'explanation' GST authorities appear to have taken a position that the same would be applicable retrospectively."

"However, this position loses sight of the fact that the said explanation was recommended to be added in conjunction with the recommendation by GST Council to amend relevant rate entry in GST Compensation cess notification to include all utility vehicles in that entry – in other words, this was not an independent explanation but an explanation which was necessitated by the amendment and hence the explanation cannot be read independently, with retrospective effect. One hopes that the CBIC will issue suitable clarification to avoid retrospective liabilities on auto-manufacturers based on such a hyper-technical (and seemingly untenable) argument," Bhattacharjee added.

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White goods PLI scheme: 38 applicants apply

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

NEARLY 38 companies, including Daikin, Voltas and Blue Star have filed applications with proposed investments of ₹4,121 crore under the production-linked incentive scheme for white goods in the third round, an official said on Monday.

The government in July reopened the application window for its ₹6,238 crore PLI scheme for air-conditioners and LED lights to accommodate more players as several firms expressed interest in the initiative. Of the 38 companies, 21 applicants have applied for manufacturing of AC components with a committed investment of ₹3,679 crore and 18 applicants for components of LED Lights with a committed investment of ₹442 crore.

Joint Secretary in the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) Sanjiv said the scheme is benefitting the sector as the value addition has increased from 25% to about 50%. As per the industry, the value addition would increase to 80% in the coming years. He said over next three years (till 2028-29), 38 companies are expected to achieve production of ₹55,877 crore for AC components and LED lights while generating direct employment for 47,851 people.

RBI governor Das asks banks to remain alert in social media space

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

RESERVE Bank Governor Shaktikanta Das on Monday asked banks to remain alert in the social media space and also strengthen their liquidity buffers given the risks arising from the growing digitisation of the financial markets, which if not addressed well will lead to financial stability risks.

Addressing an RBI-organised function in the financial capital as part of the 90th year celebrations of the Reserve Bank of India on Monday, Das said growing digitalisation of financial services has enhanced the efficiency of the sector across the globe. At the same time, it has also brought in several challenges which central banks have to deal with.

"In the modern world with deep social media presence and vast access to online banking with money transfer happening in seconds, rumours and misinformation can spread very quickly and can cause liquidity stress. Banks have to remain alert in the social media space and also strengthen their liquidity buffers."

Three win Nobel for study of colonisation effect on prosperity

The $1.1 mn Award

Award worth $1.1 mn will be shared equally between the three laureates. The three economists have been able to demonstrate a relationship between institutions and prosperity, the jury said

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE 2024 Nobel Prize in Economics, formally known as the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, was conferred on Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson and James Robinson on Monday. The award was "for studies of how institutions are formed and affect prosperity."

The award worth 11 million Swedish crowns ($1.1 million) will be shared equally between the three laureates. The three economists have been able to demonstrate a relationship between institutions and prosperity, the jury said. Turkish-American 57-year-old Daron Acemoglu is a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), as is British-American Simon Johnson, 61. British-American James Robinson, 64, is a professor at the University of Chicago.

"Reducing the vast differences in income between countries is one of our time's greatest challenges," Jakob Svensson, chair of the Committee for the Prize in Economic Sciences, said in a statement. "The laureates have demonstrated the importance of societal institutions for achieving this," Svensson added. "I am delighted. It's just a real shock and amazing news," Acemoglu told a reporters via telephone as the award was announced in Stockholm. The economics prize is the only Nobel not among the original five created in the will of Swedish scientist Alfred Nobel, who died in 1896.

B'luru sees rise in realty investments this quarter

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A report by real estate consulting firm CBRE South Asia Pvt Ltd on Monday showed a 46% year-on-year growth in real estate equity investments in Bengaluru, Mumbai, and Chennai, totalling $8.9 billion from January to September 2024. The report -- 'India Market Monitor Q3 2024 - Investments' -- said this is the highest-ever recorded figure since 2018, surpassing the $7.4-billion total equity investments for 2023.

The report also stated that domestic investors (primarily developers) accounted for approximately 79% of equity capital inflows from July to September 2024. It also noted that Singapore-based investors made up nearly 73% of foreign capital inflows, followed by the US at about 22%.

"Developer activity surged during the July-September 2024 quarter, representing nearly 47% of total equity investments, while institutional and collective vehicle investors contributed around 36%. Bengaluru, Mumbai, and Chennai led equity investment activity, together accounting for over 66% of total investments," the release said.

The report also noted that on a quarterly basis, the equity investments in real estate stood at $2.6 billion for the July-September 2024 period.

It has also been noted that during July-September 2024, land/development sites dominated investments, with a share of 45%, followed by the office sector with a 24% share. The retail sector experienced a resurgence in capital inflows, capturing around 22% share in the same quarter. About 56% of the total capital inflows in site/land acquisitions were deployed for residential developments, while the remaining was committed towards the development of retail, data centres, warehousing projects, and hospitals.

"A rebound in the office-leasing market, strong disposable incomes and an unprecedented risk appetite for consumer spending and home-buying has led to a record flow of investments in the first nine months of 2024. As India's demographic profile continues to pay rich dividends and an affordable talent pool keeps adding at a fast pace, we expect sustainable and rapid growth in India's residential, retail, office and logistics sectors," CBRE India Managing Director (Capital Markets and Land) Gaurav Kumar said.

INR down at 84.07, analysts say nothing to worry about fall in domestic currency

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

RUPEE continued to plumb more depths closing the day in the red again falling to 84.0725 against the dollar, losing 0.8 paise from the previous close of Friday. But analysts see no worries about the fall saying crossing 84 level is not alarming.

The rupee had for the first time crossed 84 level last Friday, closing at 84.06 after hitting 84.11 as foreign investors continued to sell equity and debt and globally the greenback has been gaining. Foreign investors have offloaded $8 billion over last 10 sessions, mostly in stocks and about $125 million in bonds. China's stimulus has redirected investment flows, with some foreign investors going on record saying time to buy into the Middle Kingdom and sell India' which have contributed to the rupee's downward trend.

In spite of these factors, RBI governor Shaktikanta Das last week said rupee remains one of the least volatile currencies among emerging market peers, reflecting the country's strong macroeconomic fundamentals.

Addressing media during post-policy presser, he said there is no alarm arising from rupee volatility and no concern about it at all. Rupee fell to an all-time low of 84.0725 on Monday, weighed down by dollar demand from foreign banks, likely for their custodial clients. Rupee had dipped to 84.07 on Friday.

HIL auction: Wegnez most expensive player on Day 2

Belgium's Victor Wegnez was the most expensive player on the second day of the Hockey India League players' auction after he was acquired by Soorma Hockey Club for ₹40 lakh. Other overseas players who went under the hammer included the Dutch duo of Thierry Brinkman (₹38 lakh) & Arthur Van Doren (₹32 lakh), who were sold to Kalinga Lancers.

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UNSTOPPABLE FORCE FACES MOVABLE OBJECT

With an eye on WTC final, India chase 19th straight series win at home

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Bengaluru

AN early autumn morning in this part of the country is easy to predict. Once the southeast monsoon starts to withdraw, the days begin to shorten rapidly and the Sun starts to play hide and seek. With an active disturbance in the Bay of Bengal, Bengaluru's overcast skies and damp underneath conditions wouldn't have been out of place in New Zealand. That, however, will be of scant relief to the visitors whose upcoming assignment — win a series in India — is the hardest in the game today. Think about it as an extreme adventure sport; like a mountaineer going up Mount Everest from base camp with a faulty oxygen cylinder.

That's even before you consider the Black Caps' record in India. Two wins in 36 Tests, with the last win coming in the winter of 1988. Out of the 15 players in their squad, only one, Ajaz Patel, was even born when Richard Hadlee and John Bracewell bowled them to a famous win at the Wankhede.

Since that Test, they have featured in 19 further ones. Their record? 10 losses and nine draws. Of course, this isn't just a New Zealand problem. Other teams — better ones, in fact — have landed on these shores with hope only to head back with bruised bones and shattered egos. For the record, India, three wins away from assuring themselves of a spot in next year's World Test Championship final in England, are chasing a 19th consecutive series win on home soil. If recent history is anything to go by, this can safely be billed as a series between unstoppable force and a movable object.

When India's coach Gautam Gambhir was asked about India's invincible record at home — he was one of the two openers when the hosts last lost a series (England in 2012) — he said 'Indian cricket has always been fortunate'. "Just the quality (why has India been invincible at home for a long time)," he said during the press conference on Monday. "I think we always have the quality in our backyard. Not only when I was playing, probably before me as well, when we had people like Anil Kumble and Harbhajan Singh... I think it's just the quality of players which we have got. And Indian cricket is always fortunate and Indian cricket will always be fortunate with the kind of talent that will come through from a first-class structure."

> **Ultimately, the first motive is to win the match. If we're in a situation where we have to play for a draw, then that's the second or the third option. We want people to go out there and play the natural game**
>
> — Gautam Gambhir, head coach

That first-class structure has given this current iteration an embarrassment of riches. So much so that Kuldeep Yadav isn't assured of game time. The 43-year-old mentioned that they were yet to nail the combination on what looked like a fairly true strip when it was briefly left uncovered before the Indian team's practice session. "It depends on the conditions, depends on the wicket, depends on the opposition as well," he said. "The best part about this dressing room is that we've got so many high-quality players in there. We can select any of them and we know they can do the job for us. That's what is called the depth. We will have a look at the wicket tomorrow (Tuesday). We will have a chat and see what is the best combination to do the job."

What complicates matters for New Zealand is they are in the middle of a careening transition period. Out of the 11 which featured in the WTC final in 2021, only three are in line to start the first Test on Wednesday (Devon Conway, Tom Latham and Tim Southee). Some of their proven performers have either quit the game or have not signed central contracts. They are also coming into the series with a new permanent captain at the helm. Tom Latham, during an interaction with the NZ media last week, promised to give it a good go. "Hopefully we can go over there and play with a bit of freedom, with no fear and try to take it to them," he had said. "We have seen teams That have done well there in the past have been quite aggressive towards them, especially with the bat. They have looked to play a few shots but also put them under pressure, which is really important."

The key is teams have seldom struck a balance between attack and defence. England were ultra successful in one Test and came close in a couple of other Tests but the pressure, as always, ultimately told. If the Kiwis are to use the gray, overcast skies as a blank canvas to etch an unforgettable victory song for the ages, they will have to come up with a resistance from another age.

Semifinal battle on

While no team has officially qualified for the semifinal from Group B, England and West Indies have an opportunity to do so in the final group stage match. A look...

England unbeaten

England have kept their pre-tournament momentum on with three wins out of as many matches so far. With their dominant 10-wicket victory over Scotland, they already have one foot in the knockouts, but their bowling depth might come in handy against West Indies who have struggled a bit to get going.

Will Taylor play?

Former captain Stephanie Taylor had to walk off against West Indies' previous match against Bangladesh after struggling with knee issues. If West Indies are to challenge the group favourites, they need Taylor to be there not just because of her experience but because of her ability to change gears when needed.

TODAY'S GAME

West Indies **vs** England, Dubai

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Pak lose, crash out with India

TNIE @ WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

KALYANI MANGALE

DUBAI

Pakistan dropped seven catches vs NZ as they went down by 54 runs | AP

MONDAY might not have been a good day for Pakistan on the field — they dropped as many as seven catches in what was one of their forgettable outings in recent times and lost to New Zealand by 54 runs and crashed out of the T20 World Cup — back home there is still hope.

For long, Pakistan have produced some of the best cricketers across genders. From the flamboyance of the likes of Imran Khan and Shoaib Akhtar to the elegance of the likes of Sana Mir and Bismah Maroof, even for fans outside of Pakistan, watching some of the greats of the game has given some pure joy. Behind many of these players, there are coaches who have stood behind them right from the go. Sir Imran Rana of Daughter's Cricket Academy is one of them. His ward, number two-ranked T20I bowler, Sadia Iqbal has come a long way to make it to the international level. "I am from Faisalabad, Pakistan, and I run this academy as a social work of sorts—it's not a commercial one," Rana told this daily. "I try to train kids from government schools who cannot afford expensive cricket training. Our system in Pakistan is not that supportive of players coming from low-income groups. So I decided to do it. I would have loved to play cricket professionally, but I couldn't do that and that is why I am trying to fulfill that dream through this academy. We have a boy's academy as well, but I put my efforts into working with girls. The academy's name is "Daughter's Academy" which tells you everything you need to know. By God's grace, I have a few players playing for the national side," he added.

In a society where women practicing any sport, let alone representing it at the national level, are looked down upon by social entities, Rana opted to start the academy only for women so they could get all the necessary training. "When I first went to see the Government School practice sessions, all the girls there were very young and I could see that the coach trying to teach them was not aware of most of the things a person in his role should know. The players did not have kits also, so I felt I should do this for them. Then I started with a few players first. We did a few camps as well, and then many people joined us to continue it. We all start from somewhere and this was the thing for me. I started in 2008. It has been 16 years, and I still hear taunts from a lot of people about this, but I do not care about those naysayers."

Iqbal, Waheeda, Umm-e-Hani, and Tasmia Rubab — cricketers from Daughters Academy who have made it to the international stage for Pakistan. Iqbal has gained a reputation to be one of the best bowlers in Pakistan and her numbers reflect the same. Given the current situation with the women's team, where they could not challenge the opposition in the ongoing T20 World Cup, Rana believes Pakistan should back their players, especially the bowlers. "We need to back our bowlers. Sana got a lot of criticism in our country. If she didn't know she was supposed to bowl, she still was brave enough to finish her overs," he said. While Pakistan might have crashed out of the tournament, coaches like Rana are there to make sure the new generation is ready to fill the shoes when the time comes. **Brief scores:** NZ 110/6 in 20 ovs (Bates 28, Halliday 22; Sandhu 3/18) **bt** Pakistan 56 in 11.4 ovs (Carson 2/7, Amelia 3/14).

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Maiden T20 WC a learning curve for Shreyanka

KALYANI MANGALE @ Dubai

THE moment Shreyanka Patil was brought into the attack against Sri Lanka in the second over, with the opposition captain Chamari Athapaththu on the strike, it felt like a calculated move. Athapaththu was due a big innings and knowing her reputation to find the way when her team needed it the most, India were eying her wicket inside the powerplay. Earlier, in July, during the Asia Cup final, when Sri Lanka had defeated India, Patil was not in the playing XI. This was a challenge for her. With her fourth ball of the innings, she had Athapaththu back. Athapaththu pushed forwards slightly trying to be defensive, but all it managed to do was get an outside edge and Deepti Sharma was there in the slips to grab the catch.

Arjun Dev, Patil's long-time coach, watching on from the stands was over the moon. It felt like the duo of coach and his ward had planned for this and this execution was spot on from the bowler. "That is (preparing for the scenarios) something we take pride in is to prepare as much as we can," Dev told this daily. "Everyone says why do you have to practice so much? Why do you do that? That's what our job is. She always jokes that the off-season for me is like a season and during the season I'm actually relaxed because there's not much happening," he said.

Patil, the highest wicket-taker of the Women's Premier League's second season, came under the limelight in the first season when she took the wicket of Australian international Ashleigh Gardner. Leading into the maiden season, Gardner was announced the player of the Tournament of the T20 World Cup that preceded the season. She was also one of the highest-paid cricketers of the season. In that particular match, the all-rounder was going so well and scored 41 runs off 25 balls before Patil struck. A low full toss struck Gardner on the toe in front of the middle as she missed a flick after shuffling across her stumps. Dev believes that wicket changed Patil's career trajectory. "We still watch the replay of that wicket and we're like wow. I think it was a small turning point in her career. She kind of made a name for herself as a death bowler. That was the perfect yorker she nailed when Gardner was going well. She was on fire. So I think she got Gardner out again with the Yorker against Australia. Both of us are quite proud of that whether it's Gardner or she has got Haley Matthews out thrice. Meg Lanning twice. So it's kind of and I tell her to show it off. You don't have to be quiet and not talk about it. Talk about it. I don't believe in jinxing and all that nonsense. It's a big achievement to get Meg Lanning out twice. It's something special. We are definitely proud of Ash Gardner's wicket which was probably a little turning point in her career in terms of the confidence boost that she got," he added.

Shreyanka Patil | ICC

Late last year, on her T20I debut, Patil took the wicket of England captain Heather Knight. A straight and full delivery on off, Knight went back and played the wrong line as the ball hit her off stump. Dev was disappointed a bit in that wicket, not because he didn't love the wicket, but they had plans for another big name in the England line-up, Natalie Sciver-Brunt. "It was still very disappointing because our plan before was to get Sciver-Brunt caught and bowled and she created the chance but couldn't hold on to the catch. It is something that we had visualised and practiced and we had said this is how you bowl from over the wicket and then come around, you'll get her caught in the bowled. So those kinds of things when it comes off you feel great you know as a coach and as a player. It doesn't always pay off. Sometimes you get it wrong or the plan is wrong or the execution is wrong. But when it does come off I think it's a really good feeling because we've done it so many times now and she's doing spot bowling."

India's World Cup dream is over after New Zealand defeated Pakistan by 54 runs, but Patil has learned a lot in her first World Cup campaign. Just like her team, the best is yet to come. It's time to go back to board with the learnings from UAE. And given her hunger for learning, it is not going to stop anytime soon.

Tilak Varma to lead India A

AGENCIES @ New Delhi

MUMBAI Indians star Tilak Varma will lead India A while Abhishek Sharma will serve as his deputy in the upcoming men's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup, scheduled from October 18 to 27 in Muscat, Oman. The 21-year-old Varma brings experience from four ODIs and 16 T20Is, while Sharma has played eight T20Is. The squad also includes leg spinner Rahul Chahar, who has six T20I and one ODI appearances for India. India A boasts several players with IPL experience, including Prabhsimran Singh from Punjab Kings, Anuj Rawat from Royal Challengers Bangalore and Ayush Badoni from Lucknow Super Giants.

Eng deserve 'world class' coach: Carsley

AGENCIES @ Helsinki

LEE Carsley admitted England deserve a "world class coach" with a winning habit after Sunday's 3-1 victory against Finland left the interim manager's future unresolved.

Coming just days after England's shock 2-1 defeat against Greece at Wembley, Carsley could not afford another setback in the Nations League trip to Helsinki. Carsley had been heavily criticised for playing five attacking midfielders and no recognised striker against Greece and he selected a more conventional line-up this time. England were still far from impressive for long periods, but they mustered enough quality to grind out a third win in four games since Carsley replaced Gareth Southgate.

It was another day of mixed messages both on and off the pitch for England as the Football Association take their time hiring a permanent successor to Southgate. "My remit was six games and I'm happy with that. This is a privileged position," Carsley said. "People are always going to try and put their chips on one side. I'm in the middle. My bosses have made it clear what they need from me. This job deserves a world class coach who has won trophies and I am still on the path to that."

EXPRESS READ

No Impact Player rule for SMAT

NEW DELHI: The BCCI has decided to scrap the contentious Impact Player rule for the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Trophy. The Impact Player concept was introduced in SMAT couple of years ago and was later extended to the IPL. The decision to do away with the Impact Player comes shortly after it decided to retain the rule in the IPL till 2027.

CFC stun Borussia Dortmund

CHENNAI: Chennaiyin FC's under-12 team defeated German side Borussia Dortmund 4-2 at the Norwich City Mina Cup UK, courtesy a four-goal display by attacker Nepolian Laikhuram. CFC's youth squad is the only Indian club competing in the tournament, held over the weekend at Norwich City FC's training facility in England.

Sindhu, Lakshya eye good show

ODENSE (DENMARK): Indian badminton stars PV Sindhu and Lakshya Sen will be eager to bounce back from a disappointing resumption to their season when they compete in the USD 850,000 Denmark Open Super 750, starting Tuesday. Both players found the going tough in the Arctic Open in Vantaa, Finland, last week.

RANJI TROPHY

Innings win for Tamil Nadu, Kerala register come from behind victory over Punjab

ENS/AGENCIES @ Coimbatore

DEBUTANT left-arm medium-pacer Gurjapneet Singh claimed six wickets as Tamil Nadu registered a comprehensive win by an innings and 70 runs win against Saurashtra in their Ranji Trophy opener here on Monday. Singh, who moved to Tamil Nadu from Ambala, Haryana six years ago, was adjudged Player of the Match.

Tamil Nadu will take on Delhi in their next match starting October 18. Delhi also started their campaign on a decent note as they gained three points on the basis of the first innings lead against hosts Chhattisgarh. Seasoned Jonty Sidhu's second career first-class hundred had ensured a slender first innings lead for Delhi, who had scored 357 in their first essay on the third evening itself. This was after Chattisgarh scored 343 batting first. Starting the final day at 33 for no loss, Chattisgarh reached 179/6 when the two captains decided to shake hands with no outright result possible in a session's play that was left.

Vidarbha beat Andhra

NAGPUR: Medium pacer Aditya Thakare and left-arm spinner Harsh Dubey shared eight wickets between them to hand Vidarbha a 74-run victory over Andhra. In Jaipur, hosts Rajasthan came tantalisingly close to registering an outright win over Puducherry, falling short by just 19 runs to settle for a draw but grabbed three points by virtue of taking the first innings lead. In Secunderabad, Gujarat defeated Hyderabad by 126 runs.

Tamil Nadu players celebrate a wicket against Saurashtra on Monday | EXPRESS

In a Group C match in Thumba, Kerala defeated Punjab by eight wickets. After conceding a lead in the first innings, Kerala staged a remarkable comeback to bowl out Punjab for 142 in the second essay. They then overhauled the 158-run target with skipper Sachin Baby scoring 56 to earn six points for his side.

Baroda stun Mumbai

VADODARA: Left-arm spinner Bhargav Bhatt grabbed six wickets in a stunning bowling show as Baroda defeated defending champions Mumbai by 84 runs. In a match that saw fortunes fluctuating in each of the four days, the 34-year-old Bhatt (6/55) ripped through the Mumbai line up in the second innings to help his side notch a memorable win. Chasing 262, Mumbai were shot out for 177. **Select scores: Group A: In Vadodara:** Baroda 290 & 185 bt Mumbai 214 & 177 in 48.2 ovs (Siddhesh Lad 59; Bhargav Bhatt 6/55); **Group B: In Secunderabad:** Gujarat 343 & 201 bt Hyderabad 248 & 170 in 59.1 ovs (Abhirath Reddy 51; Priyajitsing Jadeja 3/23, Rinkesh Vaghela 3/52); **In Jaipur:** Puducherry 248 & 281 drew with Rajasthan 291 & 220/7 in 60 ovs (Abhijeet Tomar 87, Kunal Singh Rathore 59; Sagar Udeshi 2/56, Fabid Ahmed 2/46); **In Nagpur:** Vidarbha 118 & 366 bt Andhra 167 & 243 in 86.4 ovs (Abhishek Reddy 78, Shaik Rasheed 74; Aditya Thakare 4/47, Harsh Dubey 4/69); **Group C: In Indore:** Madhya Pradesh 425/8decl in 140 ovs drew with Karnataka 206/5 in 75 ovs (Nikin Jose 99, Shreyas Gopal 60 n.o; Kumar Kartikeya 3/68); **In Thumba:** Punjab 194 & 142 in 55.1 ovs (Prabhsimran Singh 51; Aditya Sarwate 4/43, Baba Aparajith 4/35) lost to Kerala 179 & 158/2 in 36 ovs (Sachin Baby 56); **Group D: In Raipur:** Chhattisgarh 343 & 179/6 in 60 ovs (Ajay Mandal 57 n.o; Navdeep Saini 3/36) drew with Delhi 357; **In Coimbatore:** Saurashtra 203 & 94 in 40.4 ovs (Gurjapneet Singh 6/22, Sonu Yadav 3/29) lost to Tamil Nadu 367.

Education Therapy: This is a specialised form of intervention that combines educational and therapeutic strategies to support students with learning differences, behavioural issues, or emotional challenges. The goal is to improve academic performance while addressing the underlying cognitive, emotional, or social difficulties that may be affecting a child's ability to learn

NAVIGATING LEARNING CHALLENGES

BRIGHT KID, BUT DRAGGING FEET IN ACADEMICS?

UNNIKRISHNAN S @T'Puram

ABHINAV is an imaginative and bright eight-year-old kid who enjoys drawing and playing video games. His parents noticed that he has always been energetic and easily distracted, which caused difficulties for him to focus on tasks, particularly schoolwork. Initially, they attributed his challenges to typical childhood behaviour- a phase that many children go through.

In the last six months, Abhinav's academic performance witnessed a steep decline, particularly in maths and reading. He struggles to complete assignments on time and frequently forgets to submit them. Even his teachers expressed concerns, noting that Abhinav understands the topic, but he often fails to demonstrate his knowledge during tests and assignments. His parents tried various strategies, including hiring a private tutor. This approach backfired; rather than improving the situation, as the additional pressure only overwhelmed Abhinav.

Frustrated by their lack of progress, Abhinav's parents sought help at a child development centre. A psychologist diagnosed him with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), a neurodevelopmental disorder that has become increasingly recognised since post Covid-19. ADHD primarily affects attention, impulse control, and hyperactivity, but it does not impair a child's ability to understand or process information in the same way a learning disability would.

Several factors can impact a child's academic performance, including neurobiological and environmental influences. Experts stress the importance of identifying the root cause early to facilitate effective interventions. Dr Jamila K Warrier, consultant psychologist and educational therapist at the Holistic Child Development Centre, noted, "When a child is otherwise intelligent, parents may not immediately recognise the problem. Teachers might perceive the child's behaviour as intentional deviation. Underlying issues, such as learning disabilities or attention deficits, are often overlooked, leading parents to mistakenly increase academic demands and reduce extracurricular activities, which can worsen the situation."

"It is important to understand your child. Trying to sit with the child to understand the problems should be the first step. There is always a solution if they take a proactive step after understanding the issue. However, often this approach is found to be missing," she added.

Geetika Kapoor, a school psychologist, noted that children with ADHD often develop a negative self-concept, believing they are "not smart enough." These children frequently experience embarrassment and self-doubt, especially if they struggle to keep pace with peers. It often takes time for parents and teachers to recognise and address these needs without placing blame. Kapoor pointed out that the consequences of prolonged struggles can lead to anxiety and avoidance of academic tasks. "Children may show reluctance toward school and feel hopeless about their future, particularly those with learning challenges like dyslexia. Their relationships can suffer as they feel judged for their academic performance," she explained.

Importance of early intervention

Early intervention is crucial in redirecting a child's academic path. Unfortunately, many children do not receive support from a child developmental pediatrician or educational therapist until later down in their educational journey. It's not uncommon to encounter children in the eighth grade with reading comprehension skills equivalent to a third grader. Learning difficulties often become more pronounced as children progress to higher grades. Assessments for learning difficulties should involve conversations with both the child and their parents, along with observations of the child's behaviour in school. The way a child writes, and the consistency of their performance throughout the day can reveal much about their abilities and challenges. A child development centre assesses various developmental aspects, including speech and language, psychological well-being, social skills, cognition, and fine motor skills. Dr Purushothaman Kuzhikkathukandiyil, professor of paediatrics at MES Medical College, Malappuram, said a child with an average intelligence quotient (IQ) falls back on studies owing to factors which are genetic and environmental. He emphasised that the first step in addressing learning issues should be by consulting a child developmental pediatrician, rather than relying on super specialists who may focus on imaging tests like MRIs.

Recognising mental health signs

Dr Manoj Kumar Sharma, a clinical psychology professor at NIMHANS, highlighted various signs of mental health issues in children, such as sudden mood changes, self-harm, unexplained physical changes, and declining academic performance. He suggested that professionals may use simple scales to assess children's mental states, asking them to rate their feelings on a scale of 0 to 10. "To support children, it's essential to talk to them, engage in enjoyable activities, and seek professional help when necessary to address underlying issues."

(With inputs from Ashish Srivastava @ New Delhi, Rishita Khanna @ Bengaluru)

What is a learning disability?

A learning disability is a neurological condition that affects a person's ability to process, understand, or use information. It can impact various areas of learning, including reading, writing, math, and language skills.

Factors impacting ability to learn

1. **Learning disability:** Dyslexia (difficulty with reading and language processing) | Dysgraphia (difficulty with writing and fine motor skills) | Dyscalculia (difficulty with mathematical concepts and calculations)
2. **Attention disorders:** Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) - difficulties with attention, impulse control, and hyperactivity
3. **Emotional and behavioural disorders:** Anxiety disorders (excessive worry or fear can impair focus and participation) | Depression
4. **Autism spectrum disorder:** Affects communication, social interaction, and behaviour, which can impact learning
5. **Sensory processing disorders:** Difficulties in processing sensory information can create challenges in learning environments
6. **Speech and language disorders:** Challenges with understanding or using language can hinder academic performance and social interactions
7. **Developmental delays:** Delays in physical, cognitive, or social-emotional development can affect learning readiness
8. **Chronic health issues:** Conditions like asthma, epilepsy, or diabetes can lead to missed school days and focus issues
9. **Trauma and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs):** Exposure to trauma can affect emotional regulation and concentration, impacting learning
10. **Environmental factors:** Equation with the teacher | Poor nutrition | Inadequate sleep

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E-AUCTION NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal only)

Chief Administrative Officer, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore Invites Tender from eligible tenderers through the e-procurement portal of Govt. of Karnataka at **https://kppp. karnataka.gov.in** from Nationalized Banks for callable Fixed / term Deposits of **Rs. 15.00 Crores (approximate) / Bulk Deposits for one year**. (Tender No. DME/2024-25/AUCTION 17)
Last date to upload the Declaration in Annexure-A in the e-portal: **11.11.2024.** Live bidding for interest rates : **13.11.2024 Between 11:00 Hrs to 12:00 Hrs.**
The detailed terms and conditions of the E-Auction can be downloaded from the e-portal of the GOK at **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer /
Tender Inviting Authority. IGICH

DIPR/CP/JA/2515/2024-25

Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited
(A wholly owned Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
(CIN: U04010KA2002SGC030438)

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPP portal only)

Tender no.: BESCOM/2024-25/SE0205

BESCOM invites Request For Proposal (RFP) for "Selection of Solar Power Generators (SPGs) on the basis of Build, Own & Operate (BOO) for Design, Survey, Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Operation & Maintenance of grid connected distributed solar power plants for solarization of selected Agri feeders at Sub-Station (SS) level covering 10,180 IP sets in BESCOM jurisdiction, its associated 11kV line to connect the plant with concerned SS and Remote Monitoring System (RMS) of solar power plants through RESCO mode, for 25 years under Component C-Feeder Level Solarization of PM-KUSUM Scheme". The bid documents will be available on **or after 18.10.2024 in https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** The prospective bidders have to register on the bidding portal. For any queries regarding portal, please contact KPPP helpdesk no.:080-46010000, 080-68948777 or email: support@eprochelpdesk.com.

Sd/- General Manager (Ele.) DSM, BESCOM, Bengaluru.

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PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited
Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala - 147001.
Corporate Identity Number: U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website : www.pspcl.in
(Contact No. 96461-22185)

Tender Enquiry No. 338/SS(D)-II (Under RDSS) | Dated: 14.10.2024

Dy.CE/ Substation Design/ TS Organization, PSPCL, C-1, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL, Patiala invites E-tender for Manufacture, Testing, Supply & Delivery of 30 nos. 11kV Residual Voltage Transformers (RVTs). For detailed NIT & Tender Specification, please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **14.10.2024 onwards.**

NOTE: Corrigendum and amendments, if any, will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

996/C-783/24-10/14/2024
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KMML The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd
(A Govt. of Kerala Undertaking),Sankaramangalam,Kollam 691583
Phone : 0476-2651215 to 217, E-Mail :md@kmml.com

TENDER NOTICE

For more details please visit E-Tendering Portal, https://etenders.kerala.gov.in or www.kmml.com

Sl No	Tender Id	Items
1	2024_KMML_695886_1	For fabrication & supply of Heavy Ends Condenser E215
2	2024_KMML_695875_1	For Project Management Consultancy service required for the work of execution of the proposed brownfield project (EPC basis) for modernization and improvement of recovery in the Mineral Separation Unit in KMML,Chavara
3	2024_KMML_696346_1	The work of providing Two numbers of Rear Dump Trucks on daily rental basis for One year
4	2024_KMML_696292_1	For fabrication& supply of Tickle Condenser E207A
5	2024_KMML_694490_1	Condition Monitoring of Distribution Transformers, CTs and Las, during the Annual Shutdown window at KMML TP Unit

Chavara 14.10.2024 Sd/- Managing Director for The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike
The Assistant General Manager,
Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited
K. R. Pura Sub Division, Mahadevapura Zone,
Bengaluru-560 036.

No. AGM/KRP/BSWML/MZ/QP-56/2024-25 Date: 14.10.2024

INVITATION FOR QUOTATION (IFQ)
(Short Term Notification)
website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

The Assistant General Manager invites Item Rate Quotation for the works details in the table given below.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Approx. Value of Work (₹. in Lakhs)
1.	Repair and servicing (A-Number) Transformer yard at SWM Subbrayanapalya Plant.	4.99

Calendar of Events: (1) Submission of Quotation : **14.10.2024 on wards. (2)** Last Date for submission of Quotations on or before **21.10.2024 at 4:00 p.m. (3)** Date of opening of quotations is **22.10.2024 at 11:00 a.m.** onwards.
Sd/- Assistant General Manager, K.R. Pura Sub Division, BSWML

MANGALORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka undertaking)
O&M Zone, 'Vidyuth Bhavan', M.R.S., Shivamogga - 577 203.
Phone: 08182-220445, 220446 CIN: U40109 KA 2002 SGC 030425
Ref No: CEE/SZ/SMG/EE(C)/AE(C)/F-Tenders/2024-25/CYS-33 Date: 26.09.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION

MESCOM invites tenders through e-procurement mode only from the Registered KPWD contractors having EPF, ESI, GST and Labour department Registration for civil works listed below.

Sl. No.	Tender Number	Name of the Work
1	MESCOM/ 2024-25/ BD/ WORK_INDENT249	Construction of Vehicle Parking Shed and Entrance Gate with Watchman booth infront of MESCOM Circle Cum Division Office Complex at Shivamogga (call - 2)

For detailed information and to participate in the tender through e-procurement mode please access the tendering website **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **15.10.2024.** Any further details can be obtained from the undersigned during office hours.

DIPR/MNG/676/MPL/24-25 Sd/- Chief Engineer (Ele.) O&M Zone, Shivamogga
For Power Related Complaints and Assistance Call Toll Free Number 1912

PIMPRI CHINCHWAD MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
CIVIL ENGINEERING 'G' HO DEPARTMENT

TENDER NOTICE No: - CIVIL / G HO / 44 / 1 / 2024-2025

Offers by way of e-tendering (Percentage) are invited by the Joint City Engineer, Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation from contractors in e-tendering system for following works.

1) The contractor shall quote his Percentage offer on the Cost of work excluding material testing charges as mentioned below.
2) The offer for work shall be exclusive of GST. The GST at the applicable rate shall be paid separately by PCMC for work
3) For Following works Regarding the Royalty, the policy that the corporation determines will be binding on you.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost put to the Tender (Rs) (4+6)	Cost of Work excluding Material testing charges (Rs)	Royalty (Rs)	Testing Charges (Rs)	Earnest money (Rs)	Security Deposit (Rs)	Time limit in calendar Months	Cost of Tender Document + With G.S.T. (Non Refundable) (Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Providing Concreting of roads in Ashoka Theatre area at Pimpri	11,62,37,486	11,59,64,234	11,68,207	2,73,252	5,81,187	58,11,874	24	37,430

Time table for the tenders shall be as follows:

Online sale of tenders	:-	Date - 15/10/2024 to Date -22/10/2024
Last date of submission of tenders	:-	Date- 22/10/2024 up to 3.00 pm
Pre Bid Meeting Date & Time	:-	Date- 17/10/2024 at 3.00 pm
		(In the Office City Engineer First floor PCMC)
Date of opening of tenders	:-	Date- 25/10/2024 at 3.00 pm (if possible)

The Municipal Commissioner PCMC reserves the right to accept or reject any tender partially or completely without any reason thereof. The details of above works, such as Security Deposit, Earnest Money Deposit, Terms & Conditions of the Tender and Schedule of works, are available on web site www.pcmcindia.gov.in. http://mahatenders.gov.in. In case of any technical problem related to the tender document, the same can be referred to the NIC email support-eproc@nic.in or on telephone numbers 0120-4200462, 0120-4001002, 0120-4001005,0120-627787.

Sd/-
(Makarand Nikam)
City Engineer
Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation,
Pimpri – 411 018.

ADVT No. 2024-25/303
No: ENGG/ 13/WS/756/2024
Date :- 14/10/2024

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture,
East Zone, 17th Floor, Mayohall Building,
M.G. Road, Bengaluru.

No: SADH/TENDER/06/2024-25 Date: 14-10-2024

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) - (CALL-2)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture (East) Zone, (Referred to as Employer in these documents) invites tenders to Implement in accordance with KTPP Rules 2000, from eligible and experienced Person / Agencies / Firms (Referred to as Tenderers in these documents) registered in Labour Department for Maintenance of Parks.
(Standard Tender Document - KW-1, KW-2, KW-3 & KW4)

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Category
1	Construction of Four Water Storage Structure in Pulikeshinagara Constituency Parks. (Excluding GST) **- (ST) (Call-2) - Amount Put to Tender (in Rs.): 13,55,583/-, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 24,300/-**

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 18-10-2024. 2)** Date of Pre Bid Meeting: **21-10-2024 at 11.30 AM. 3)** Last Date of Tender Closing: **28-10-2024 upto 4.30 PM. 4)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid: **30-10-2024 at 4.30 PM. 5)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **After Approval of Technical Bid.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director of Horticulture East Zone, BBMP.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Zone,
Dasarahalli Division, MEI Layout, Hesaraghatta Main Road,
Bagalagunte, T. Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 560073.

No: BBMP/EE/DD/TEN/16/2024-25 Date: 14-10-2024

CORRIGENDUM - 02

Sub: Regarding Correction of Date in Tender Notification.
Ref.: 1) This Office KPP Portal Tender Notification No: BBMP/EE/DD/TEN/16/2024-25, Dated: 20-09-2024.
2) This Office Corrigendum-01 No: BBMP/EE/DD/ TEN/16/2024-25, Dated: 26-09-2024.

As regards the above Subject and Reference, Reference (1) vide **Sl.No. 02, 21, 24, 25 date has been Amended in the Tender of the Works,** the details are as follows.

Revised Time Schedule: 1) Tender Documents may be Downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 21-10-2024. 2)** Tenders must be Submitted online through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal **on 30-10-2024 or before 16.00 Hours. 3)** Technical Bids will be Opened on the Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in at the Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP on or after 04-11-2024 at 16.30 Hours. 4)** Financial Bids will be Opened on the Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in at the Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP on or after 05-11-2024 at 16.30 Hours.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP.

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QUEER-FRIENDLY MENTAL HEALTHCARE DEPICTED IN POPULAR SHOWS LIKE *HEARTSTOPPER* IS STILL NOT WIDESPREAD; HOWEVER, THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT QUEER AFFIRMATIVE THERAPISTS AND SUPPORT GROUPS ARE WORKING TO CHANGE THAT IN B'LURU

NOT STRAIGHT FORWARD

A still from *Heartstopper*

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

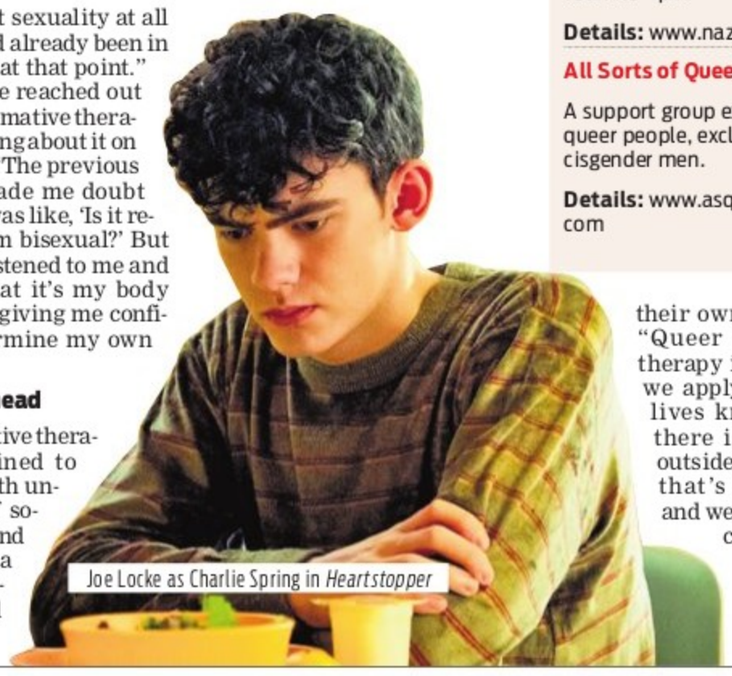
WHEN gay teenager Charlie Spring becomes institutionalised for an eating disorder in the Netflix series, *Heartstopper*, he is met with all the empathy and kindness that therapy is expected to be. As he recovers, he's also able to have open conversations about his relationship with his therapist, free from judgment about his sexuality. For queer Bengalureans, however, finding mental healthcare that is accepting of their identities remains a gamble. When 20-year-old non-binary college student, Harlton Lejo, tried therapy last year, they avoided questions about sexuality and gender until it was unavoidable. Soon after they came out to their therapist, the latter stopped all contact with them. "Coming out to her seemed forced and I didn't get to do it at my own pace. I thought of her as a trustworthy person whom I could tell everything; but when it came to this aspect, she left me in the blue. It made me push down my queerness further to the point that I didn't want to be associated with it," says Lejo.

Their identity being judged, dismissed, revealed to their families without consent and being pushed into conversion therapy (a pseudoscientific practice that claims to 'cure' queerness) are common fears that queer people have around seeking mental healthcare. Lack of training is to blame for prejudice and the continued existence of conversion therapy, says Mani Agarwal, a city-based queer affirmative therapist. "There's no adequate training given to practitioners who don't have the lived experience. When I say I am a queer identifying practitioner, the client already knows that I understand what they mean when they say they are part of the community. People without the training or lived experience may superimpose their preconceived notions and morals which we call therapy malpractices. There's also not been a strong stance from the system saying conversion therapy as a whole is banned," says Agarwal.

After negative experiences with therapists, many LGBTQ+ people have started exclusively looking for queer-affirmative therapists. Sneha Nair, a 21-year-old professional, was in high school when she reached out to a psychologist for anxiety and depression and mentioned that she was bisexual. "She insisted that I'm not really bisexual and I shouldn't be thinking about sexuality at all even though I'd already been in a relationship at that point." Years later, she reached out to a queer affirmative therapist after hearing about it on social media. "The previous experience made me doubt everything; I was like, 'Is it really okay if I'm bisexual?' But she actually listened to me and reaffirmed that it's my body and my mind, giving me confidence to determine my own identity."

A long road ahead

Queer affirmative therapists are trained to have an in-depth understanding of social realities and go through a process of recognising and unlearning their own prejudices. "Queer affirmative therapy is a lens that we apply to people's lives knowing that there is something outside of the norm that's happening, and we have to criticise the norm and not the person. It looks at understanding what intersectionality of social contexts exist, and how vulnerable they are," says Agarwal.



Joe Locke as Charlie Spring in *Heartstopper*

SEEKING SUPPORT

Groups and Helplines

Good As You

When: Thursdays; 7pm to 9pm

Where: DM @swabhava on Instagram. Online option available

Details: @goodasyou.blr on Instagram. Registrations mandatory

Naz Foundation Helpline

Call: 8800329176

When: Monday to Friday; 10am to 4pm

Details: www.nazindia.org

All Sorts of Queer

A support group exclusively for queer people, excluding cisgender men.

Details: www.asqbangalore.com

Before queer affirmative therapy became a label to look for in therapists' bios, there was a list of 'safe' mental health professionals created and circulated by the community as well as support groups by LGBTQ+ NGOs, recalls Rohini Malur, a 39-year-old queer woman. Despite being in therapy for depression 10 years ago and having largely positive experiences, community support was healing in ways that therapy couldn't. "When you go to a Good As You (support group) meeting, all the people in the room are queer, so that particular loneliness of being the only queer person in a space disappears. It also became a reason for me to get out of the house. Every week, I would get up and I would get up and go meet them. It was sometimes the only time I got out of bed in the week." she says.

Malur says there's a long way to go but the situation has improved in the last decade. She adds, "Back in 2010, everyone who was sharing a story was talking about difficulties coming out, talking to their parents or being out in the public eye. I still hear conversations about coming out but I'm also meeting people who have never been in the closet and never needed a support group, I never heard that back then."

STAR POWER

Cricketer Suryakumar Yadav greets fans at the inauguration of a luxury clothing outlet on Brigade Road recently | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Riffs & Rhythms

Years after their Indian debut, this Lebanese band is returning with their fusion of blues rock and Middle Eastern influences

DESE GOWDA

BLUES rock, with its raw emotion and timeless reflection on the human experience, and roots in the American South, might seem an unlikely choice for a Middle Eastern band. Yet, for The Wanton Bishops, it offers a perfect vehicle for something deeper. This seemingly unusual choice is both surprising and fitting in Beirut, Lebanon – the band's home and a city of contrasts where beauty and chaos coexist. "Beirut isn't exactly known for its blues scene, but the blues is, in my opinion, the most universal music," says lead vocalist and founder **Nader Mansour**, speaking from their city, even as Lebanon faces its worst conflict in decades. "It's simple, it just gets to you; it doesn't need permission to enter your heart."

As they prepare for an upcoming performance in Bengaluru next month, Mansour – who, alongside guitarist Eddy Ghossein, founded the band over a decade ago – emphasises that their aim has always been to reflect rather than preach. Their sound, grounded in the gritty essence of Delta blues, captures the unspoken realities of life in a city where political turmoil seeps into the most personal spaces. "I talk about social and political contexts through personal relationships – because that's where these external forces have the most impact," Mansour explains. The Wanton Bishops doesn't set out to make overt political statements, but by exploring themes like anxiety, conflict, and joy in personal relationships, they allow the realities of their surroundings to subtly influence their music.

The band's rapid rise to prominence in the Middle East was as unexpected as it was swift. Their debut album, Sleep With The Lights On, catapulted them to regional fame. For Mansour, this success brought a deeper understanding of the power of connecting with an audience. He recalls a moment in Europe when a fan shared how one of their songs had saved him from self-harm. "When you hear something like that, it makes you realise the weight of what you're doing," he reflects.

Their upcoming performance at the 2024 Bandland Music Festival, produced by BookMyShow, marks their return to India, years after their debut performance. "The first time was in Kolkata, and while the food was a bit tough on the stomach, the people were so welcoming and warm. I expect the same in Bengaluru. I've seen footage from previous Bandland festivals, and it looks incredible," Mansour shares. "The use of scales and rhythms feels very familiar to us in the Middle East. They say Arabic music has its roots in Indian music, and you can really feel that connection. Every time I come to India, I discover new music. I used to collect CDs back in the day, though now I'm not sure what format is best! I'd love to sit and listen to someone playing ragas – it's always a mesmerising experience."

Known for their high-energy live performances, The Wanton Bishops is preparing to deliver a powerful set, nearly four years since their last show. They promise a mix of old favourites and new material for the Bengaluru audience. "The good thing about having more than one album is that we can now pack the set with all the best stuff! We'll be playing a lot of the old records, some from the EP, and of course, new material as well. This is our first show in four years, so I feel like a lion ready to break out of its cage."

The festival will also feature Avenged Sevenfold, Extreme, Everything Everything, Bloodywood, Thaikkudam Bridge, percussionist V Selvaganesh, among others.

Bandland 2024 will held on Nov 23 & 24, 2pm onwards at Nice Grounds, BIEC. Tickets priced at ₹3,999 onwards

CITY READ

University press adds 13th Indian language to its dictionary portfolio

The Union Cabinet recently expanded India's list of classical languages to 11, adding Marathi, Pali, Prakrit, Assamese, and Bengali, to existing languages. In support of this initiative, Oxford University Press has launched a trilingual Oxford Sanskrit-Hindi-English dictionary, featuring over 25,000 words aimed at aiding Sanskrit learners. This launch aligns with the Ministry of Education's goals under the NEP 2020. Additionally, three other dictionaries have been released, enhancing OUP's commitment to linguistic diversity and education in India.

Stroke management initiative launched

The Indian Stroke Association (ISA) launched Mission Brain Attack on October 13, an initiative focused on training healthcare professionals in stroke prevention and treatment. The programme will provide workshops, webinars, and access to online resources to equip practitioners with essential skills for recognising symptoms and implementing effective care protocols, thereby improving patient outcomes. With strokes affecting approximately 1.8 million people in India annually, the campaign addresses the urgent need for specialised training.

Enjoy a Sunday brunch of Indian, continental and Asian cuisines

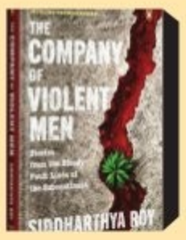
Hyatt Centric Hebbal Bengaluru has introduced a new Sunday brunch at Cosmo, its all-day dining venue, from 12.30pm to 3.30pm every Sunday. The brunch menu is curated by executive chef Chandra Sharma, and features Indian, continental, and Asian cuisines, alongside vegan options. Guests can also savour innovative cocktails and wines, complemented by DIY sliders and pancake stations. The experience includes exclusive pool access and live music.

BOOK NOOK

A Wonderland of Words: Around the Word in 101 Essays

By Shashi Tharoor

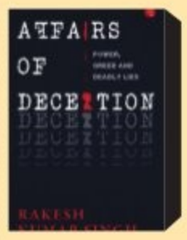
It takes us on a tour of the words, concepts, and particularities that constitute the sublime (and sometimes mystifying) wonderland of the English language.



The Company of Violent Men: Stories from the Bloody Fault lines of the Subcontinent

By Siddharthya Roy

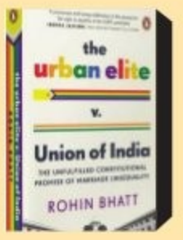
An unflinching and deeply personal narrative, takes readers on a journey through some of the most turbulent regions in South Asia, revealing the nuanced and often overlooked human stories behind the headlines.



Affairs of Deception

By Rakesh Kumar Singh

In the high-stakes world of politics and power, conspiracies and betrayals take centre stage when greed and lust become the driving forces of life. In this treacherous web of deceit, ruthless ambition and dangerous liaisons, can anyone be truly relied upon?



The Urban Elite Versus Union of India

By Rohin Bhatt

This first-of-its-kind narrative not only delves into the historic decriminalization of Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code but also offers a deeply personal account of what it means to be a queer lawyer in India.

GLIMPSE INTO THE PAST

Visitors admire a display of Mysore paintings held at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

DEAR LIFE

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I was cheated by a man who pretended to love me to make his girlfriend jealous. He lied saying she died, then he backed out after promising marriage with me. I now have severe anxiety, depression, and weight loss. My parents want me to get married. Please help.

The man has manipulated and used your love and kindness. He has caused you unimaginable harm, emotionally and physically. You do not deserve any of it. The only person who can truly save you now is you. Make your health — both physical and mental — your top priority. Do not keep this to yourself anymore. Reach out to your family, a close friend, or a professional therapist. You need support as you go through this. You are

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stronger than you think, and your life has so much value beyond your relationship with this person. You can reinvent yourself, though it may not feel that way now. Every small step counts. Begin by going for 15-minute walks. Restart a hobby that gives you joy. You are stronger than you think, and with time and consistent effort you will heal. Fight for your happiness and take back your power!

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FITBIT

UPAVISTHA HAMSASANA
(SITTING SWAN POSE)

This pose also has its origin from the Sucirandhrasana (Reverse Pigeon Pose). Sitting Swan Pose is a swan-like graceful position. The difference being that this pose is a seated position and Sucirandhrasana is a supine pose. The nature of this pose is Yin Yoga. Its restorative and this seated pose is a grounding practice. This can be a warm-up before a run for athletes and it can also release any strain in the hamstrings and glutes. It's used by runners during recovery.

STEPS

- First, come to Dandasana (Staff Pose).
- Inhale and place your right ankle on your left knee.
- Keep the ankle and foot alert. Also keep the left foot firm on the mat.
- Slowly release the Dandasana hands and take the arms a little further behind in a relaxed position.
- Gently widen the chest and roll the shoulders back away from the ears.
- Settle to a comfortable posture with relaxed arms.
- The hip opening should not be forced. Feel the Yin Yoga and the natural opening sensations.
- Stay here for 3-5 minutes and then feel the deeper release and relaxation.
- Now, come back to Dandasana. Align the body and repeat it with the other leg.
- After practising both the sides, release and relax in Savasana.

LIMITATIONS

- Students with recent injuries, those who are recovering from surgeries in the knees or hips, have shoulder or wrist injuries, weak knees, wrists, or shoulders, avoid this pose.
- Yoga teachers need to assess the strength of the joints in senior citizens before initiating this pose.

BENEFITS

- Reduces the stiffness in the outer hip by effectively stretching the maximus.
- Reduces the intensity of the stretch. Gives a moderate stretch of the arms and opens the shoulder blades.
- Opens up the muscles of the pelvis.
- Increases mobility in the hip joints.
- It relaxes the chest and moderately elongates the diaphragm.
- Deep breaths relaxes the heart and the lungs.
- Increases oxygen supply to the lungs.
- Releases muscular tensions in joints.
- It brings in confidence and enhances body alignment.
- There is a good prana flow in the lower and upper body, which is de-stressing and relaxing.
- It can be practised by women and it benefits menstrual discomforts.
- Strengthens the muscles associated, preparing the body for cramps, discomfort, and heavy flow, reducing the PMS (premenstrual symptoms).
- It can be a part of therapeutic yoga sequences.
- Relieves the anxiety of students due to various emotional troubles.
- Releases negative energies, and chest opening creates a balance in the heart chakra.
- Can be beneficial to those who suffer from sciatica pain and back pain.
- Students with piriformis syndrome too can benefit from this practice but under the guidance of a yoga expert.
- It can be done by seniors and pregnant women with the teacher's guidance.
- Kids, teens, and post-natal women can do this pose.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

QUICKFIX

CHINI KA PARATHA

Contributed by **D Ruth**, Hyderabad

INGREDIENTS

- **Wheat flour:** 2 cups
- **Sugar:** 2-3 tsp
- **Oil/Ghee:** 1-2 tsp

METHOD

- Mix the wheat flour with water and make a dough.
- Make small balls and roll them thin.
- Place sugar in between and roll them again.
- Fry the paratha and serve it hot.

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WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Unlimited Laughs

Enjoy a night of unbridled laughter at this curated open mic event showcasing the city's up and coming comedians.

WHEN: October 15, 9pm
WHERE: The Underground Comedy Club, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Art Display

Anushya Christopher invites you to explore the voices of the body, soul, and spirit through her visual art exhibition-cum-sale.

WHEN: October 15, 11am
WHERE: Urban Solace Café, Ulsoor
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

South Indian Tunes

Experience the vibrant sounds of South India with music in Kannada, Telugu, Malayalam, and Tamil curated by talented DJs. Enjoy a night of dancing and unwind with your favourite drinks.

WHEN: October 15, 6.45pm
WHERE: Ottoman Restobar, Bellandur
DETAILS: allevents.in

Musical Theatre

17th century saint-poet, Tukaram, has gone missing again but this time, the signs seem ominous. *Anandowari*, a Hindi adaptation of a Marathi novel by DB Mokashi, tells the story of Tuka's younger brother Kanha, his frantic search for his brother and the many realisations he has along the way.

WHEN: October 16, 7pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangalore-internationalcentre.org

Festive Shopping

Join Finesse for a glamorous festive shopping experience with the latest in fashion, home décor, and handcrafted jewelry.

WHEN: October 16, 10.30am
WHERE: 2 Moons, 1MG Mall, MG Road
CALL: 9845139543

Mental Health Awareness

Break the stigma surrounding mental health by participating in workshops, panel discussions, and activities raising awareness and fostering a sense of community.

WHEN: October 15, 9.45am
WHERE: NIMHANS Convention Centre, Hosur Main Road
DETAILS: allevents.in

Cast in Metal

Explore the sculptures of artists Meera Mukherjee and Jaidev Baghel, who pushed the boundaries of metal casting through the technique of Bastar Dhokra. Guided tour in Kannada.

WHEN: October 15, 3.30pm
WHERE: Museum of Art and Photography, Shanthala Nagar
DETAILS: map-india.org

ARTCORNER

LOVE CHANNEL

Afza Tamkanat's work sensitively bridges the gap between the natural world and urban life, offering a serene escape through her watercolours

The perfect plant to get this winter

TULSI (Ocimum tenuiflorum), is a champion herb as a household plant. Its various extracts and forms, ranging from dried powder of leaves to essential oil, are shown to have anti-inflammatory, analgesic, anti-tumorous, and anti-toxic properties. To grow a healthy tulsi plant, here's what you should do to create the right conditions and avoid common pitfalls.

Light and watering needs: Tulsi flourishes in bright, direct sunlight for 5-6 hours a day. Without enough sun, the plant may develop signs of black fungus. Watering should be moderate, keeping the soil moist but not waterlogged.

Soil and fertiliser: A regular potting mix or red soil works well. Tulsi is a medium feeder, meaning it benefits from occasional fertilising (once in three months).

Temperature: Tulsi grows best in temperatures between 20-40 °C.

Common issues: To keep the plant healthy, ensure it receives adequate sunlight. Additionally, if a mature plant begins to flower heavily, it may be nearing the end of its life cycle. In such cases, collect and preserve the seeds, then replant them in the same soil.

Propagation tips: Tulsi can be easily propagated from seeds. Additionally, regularly pinch off flowers to help your tulsi plant grow bushier and continue vegetative growth.

THE GREEN MANUAL

Ekta Chaudhary

The expert is an author, and founder of Garden Up, a company dedicated to greenifying spaces, She is also a trusted voice in the gardening community

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DETOXIFY FOR A HEALTHIER HOME

Turn your home into a clean haven by reducing hidden toxins with simple, natural solutions for a better quality of life

DARSHITA JAIN

WE have all come across the advertisements for bathroom disinfectants, where a video zooms in on the harmful bacteria having a hearty conversation on how they are going to ruin the lives of the inhabitants. While we are aware of toxins in the most obvious places in our living space, what we forget is our homes, which should be our safe havens, are often filled with hidden toxins that can impact our health. From everyday items like household cleaners to prescription drugs, and even cosmetics can induce harmful chemicals in our environment. Reducing these toxins is essential for creating a healthier home environment.

Keep it open!

The pungent odour of freshly polished wood or the smell of a new item unboxed at home may repel us, and these are the main causes of indoor pollution. Termed 'off-gassing', it is a process where new household items release volatile organic compounds (VOCs) into the air. These emissions often come from furniture, carpets, and even electronic devices. Off-gassing is particularly concerning because indoor air quality is often ten times worse than outdoor air, making it vital to address this issue.

Ventilation plays a crucial role here. "Enough ventilation brings in fresh outdoor air, lowers moisture levels, and eliminates contaminants from the air. Air purifiers, exhaust fans, and open windows can all help achieve this," notes Sabitha Kasu, chief designer of Sabitha Kasu Architects and Interior Designers.

Clean, but is it?

While lavender, rose, and the varied fragrances that our disinfectants carry make the house smell good for a few hours, these cleaners are another major source of indoor toxins. Many conventional cleaning products contain harsh chemicals that can harm our health.

Switching to natural alternatives like baking soda, lemon juice, and vinegar can significantly reduce the number of chemicals in your home. These natural cleaners are effective and safe, offering a simple way to detoxify your living space. Indoor plants are an excellent way to improve air quality and spread aroma. "Air-purifying plants clean the indoor air by absorbing carbon dioxide and releasing oxygen through photosynthesis," says Muskaan Agarwal, owner of Design Grove. Variants like spider plants, snake plants, and peace lilies are particularly effective at removing toxins from the air, making them a natural and aesthetically pleasing addition to any home.

Take away toxins

It is vital to read the labels of all the products you use in the household and for personal care. Choose products that are labelled as low-VOC or zero-VOC. This is particularly important in the bedroom, where we spend a significant portion of our time. Using hypoallergenic bedding, regularly cleaning surfaces, and adding an air purifier can help reduce the presence of allergens and toxins, promoting better sleep quality.

Besides the bedroom, every other room needs to be maintained properly. Opting for low-VOC paints and finishes can help minimise the chemicals released into the air. Additionally, selecting furniture made from natural, non-toxic materials can further reduce exposure to harmful substances. Mold and mildew are also common sources of indoor toxins that can have serious health implications. Maintaining proper ventilation, repairing leaks, and controlling humidity levels are key to preventing mould growth. By keeping these factors in check, you can reduce the risk of respiratory issues and other health problems associated with mould exposure.

It's essential to be aware of less obvious sources of toxins, such as scented candles, certain cookware, and even ink-in printed materials. By being mindful of these sources and making informed choices, you can further reduce the toxin levels in your home.

It's also worth considering the impact of plastics in the home. Avoid heating plastic containers in the microwave or washing them in the dishwasher, as this can cause them to release toxic chemicals into your food. Water quality is another aspect of home detoxification that shouldn't be overlooked. Contaminants in drinking water can introduce toxins into our bodies. Using water filters, boiling water, or opting for bottled water are effective ways to ensure the water you consume is safe.

Creating a toxin-free living space is an ongoing process. By making thoughtful choices about the products you use, you can create a safer, healthier environment.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, **UJWAL D BEKAL**, Son of Dinesh Bekal, aged about 25 years, Permanently Residing at #3-65-47 Devi Kripa 1st Main Road, Lohit Nagar Derebail, Ashok Nagar Mangalore, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka - 575006 presently resident at C/o SULAX TECHNOLOGIES PVT LTD., Shed No A, plot no 13A(P), Sy.No 123, 1st Phase KIADB Jigani Industrial Area, Jigani, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore : 5600105, I declare that below mentioned names **UJWAL, UJWAL.D.BEKAL** and **UJWAL DINESH BEKAL** one and the same that is myself, I will henceforth changed my name as **UJWAL DINESH BEKAL**, vide affidavit dated 9/10/2024 sworn to before A.C.Subbu Swamy advocate and notary Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) **ANUSHKA JAVALAGI** residing at No.105, JANANI, 1st Floor, 3rd Main, 5th Cross, Megharanjini Road, Akshaynagar, Bengaluru-560 068, have changed my name from (OLD NAME) **ANUSHKA JAVALAGI** to (NEW NAME) **ANUSHKA BASAVARAJ JAVALAGI** vide affidavit dated 10.10.2024 sworn before Notary V.Rajashekhara, Bangalore.

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CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ROONIT,** aged 22 years, S/o Kuldeep Kumar Bhathija, R/a No.A206, SBR Keerthi Prime, Old Madras Road, Kattamanallur, Sannatammanahalli, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560049, have changed my name to **RONIT BHATHIJA**, vide affidavit dt. 14.10.2024 before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU,** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FELCY JAMES** W/o. ADDI JAMES, aged about 63 years, residing at No.11, New Manjunatha Layout, 5th Cross, 3rd Main, Near Shanthi Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560016, state that my name is mentioned in Pension Account & other records as MARY VICTORIYA or MARY VICTORIA & I declare that the names FELCY JAMES, MARY VICTORIYA & MARY VICTORIA all belong to the same person, and I will continue my name as **"FELCY JAMES"** in all legal documents and future correspondence. vide affidavit dated **14.10.2024** sworn to before me **S. Subashini, B.Sc. LLb.** Advocate & Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RANGANATH P,** resident of No. 45/23, 2nd Main, 4th Cross, R.K. Layout, Padmanabhanagar, Bengaluru-560070, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RANGANATHA P** to **RANGANATH P,** vide affidavit dated 14.10.2024, sworn to before Mamatha N.K, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DYAVAPPA SIDDAPPA BADIGER**, aged 28 years, S/o. Siddappa Badiger, residing at Bdiger Oni, Managuli Village, Bijapur Vijayapura District, 586122, have changed my name from **DYAVAPPA BADIGER** to **DYAVAPPA SIDDAPPA BADIGER** vide affidavit dated 14-10-2024 sworn before Notary **H.S. SAKALESH ARADHYA,** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **LAKSHMI,** aged 41 years, **W/o. Lokesh**, residing at No. 526, Sriramanagara, Near L N School, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560079, have changed my name from **S.C.RATHNAMMA** to **LAKSHMI** vide affidavit dated 10-10-2024 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Tejavathi** W/o T.Srinivasa, aged about 30 years, residing at No. 22, 3rd Block, Near Raghavendra School, 1st Cross, Raja Beedi, 22, Doddabommasandra, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru-560097, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NAGAMANI to "TEJAVATHI"**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **TEJAVATHI** for all purpose vide affidavit dated: 06.01.2024, sworn before Notary Public PRAKASHA.C at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUMERA BANU**, W/o Siddique Ahmed, Resident No. 60/4, 9th Cross, 8th Main Road, New Gurappanapalya B G Road Cross, Bengaluru-560029, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SUMERA** to **SUMERA BANU**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SUMERA BANU** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 07/10/2024 sworn before Advocate and Notary **PRAKASHA .C,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KULDEEP BHATHIJA,** aged 52 years, S/o Kanhayalal Bhathija, R/a No.A206, SBR Keerthi Prime, Old Madras Rd, Kattamanallur, Sannatammanahalli, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560049, have changed my name to **KULDEEP KUMAR BHATHIJA**, vide affidavit dt. 14.10.2024 before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) VENKATAIAH BATTULA,** Father of NO.16112246H, NK, VENKATESWARLU BATTULA, Residing at Chintakunta (Vill & Post), Markapur (Tehsil & MD), Prakasam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 523329, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) BATHULA VENKATAIAH,** And **DOB** from **01.01.1959** to **01.01.1951** Vide Affidavit Dated 09.10.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MANJUNATH RAO, N,** S/o. B. NARAYANA RAO, aged about 52 years, residing at No. 30, 7th Cross, 12th Main Road, Kalidasa Layout, Raghavendra Block, Bengaluru-560050, do hereby declare that both names that is **MANJUNATH RAO N** and **MANJUNATHA RAO N** belongs to one and same person that is myself only, and I am going to continue my name only as **MANJUNATH RAO N,** vide affidavit dated 09.10.2024, sworn to before P. Vijayakumar, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SOWMYASHREE R. SINNUR** D/o. Raman Gouda Sinnur, R/a Prestige Shanthinikethan, Flat # 22168, Whitefield Near ITPL, Hoodi Post, Bengaluru 560048 declare that **SOUMYASHREE, SOUMYASHREE R SINNUR, SOWMYASHREE R SINNUR** above all Names refer to one and the same person, i.e. myself only. And have changed my Name to **SOWMYASHREE R SINNUR** for all my future Purpose. vide affidavit dated 9.10.2024 before Notary G. Dayananda, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Deepa D/o Shashishekhar Mallayya Pujari**, R/at Vasista residency, Flat No.#8, Uttarahalli main road, 1st cross, Bangalore-560061, have changed my name from **"Deepa"** to **"Deepa Shashishekhar Pujari"** vide affidavit dated 04/10/2024 sworn to before **H G Padmanabha Rao,** notary at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **R. ASWATH NARAYANA** S/o Ramarao, Age about 59 years, R/at # 643, EWS 707, 3rd Main, 4th Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore North - 560064, have changed my name from (Old Name) **RAMA RAO ASWATHNARAYANA** to (New Name) **R. ASWATH NARAYANA,** vide affidavit dated 14/10/2024 sworn before notary S.R. Ravikumar, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SEEMA JAIN,** age 50 years, W/o Kamlesh Kumar, D/o Girish Mutanmal Sonigara Residence at 3A, Aadeshwar Apartment No. 3, 3rd Floor, 1st Cross Rangrao Road, Chikkanna Garden, Shankarpuram, Bangalore South, PO-Chamrajpet Dist, Bangalore-560 018 do hereby declare that all the names i.e. **SEEMA, SEEMA SONIGARA, SEEMA GIRISH SONIGARA** and **SEEMA JAIN** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SEEMA JAIN** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14th October 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ANITHA BAI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **DEENA** is legally wedded spouse of No.14571474K Ex. Late HAV PHK SURESH BABU, residing at 1/6 MES Key Persona Qutrs. Vannarpet, Bangalore-560047, have changed my name from **DEENA** to **DEENA G,** vide affidavit dated:14.10.2024 before Notary **S.Samuel Solomon,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) VENKATAIAH BATTULA,** Father of NO.16112246H, NK, VENKATESWARLU BATTULA, Residing at Chintakunta (Vill & Post), Markapur (Tehsil & MD), Prakasam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 523329, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) BATHULA PICHAMMA**And **DOB** from **01.01.1962** to **01.01.1959** Vide Affidavit Dated 09.10.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I Deepa Agrawal (New Name) previously called Deepa Maskara and Deepa Bhupal (Old Namea), Aadhar No. 449922442150 & PAN No. ANWPB8375L, aged about 41 years(Date of Birth- 02/01/1983), D/o. Govind Maskara, currently residing at Flat No. 42118, Sobha Dream Acres, Panathur Main Road, Balagere, Varthur, Bengaluru-560087, have changed my name from Deepa Maskara and Deepa Bhupal to Deepa Agrawal (NEW NAME), henceforth I will be called as Deepa Agrawal only. Sworn before 1st Class Magistrate, 24 Pargana, Alipore, Kolkata, West Bengal on 05/04/2019

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ESWARAPPA** S/o **Ningegowda** R/at VADDARAHALLI. G NAGATHIHALLI Post, Belluru Hobli, Nagamangala Talluku Mandya- 571811 have changed my name to **ESHWARAIAH** vide affidavit dated: 7/10/2024 Before Notary **Puttaramaiah** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAJESH KUMAR PANDEY** resident of SMQ P- 321/43, HQTC, IAF, J C Nagar Post, Bengaluru- 560006, Karnataka, have changed my daughter's Name from **POORNIMA PANDEY** to **PRANIKA PANDEY** vide Affidavit dated: 14-10-2024 before Notary **N PERUVAZHUTHI** at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FIRDOUS KHANAM N,** daughter of Nabi Khan, B, H, wife of Shakeel Syed, residing at No.1-D, Glendale Apartment, No.3/3, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore-560046, have changed my name to **FIRDOUS SHAKEEL** Vide Affidavit dated 14.10.2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore

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ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಕಂಬಾಪುರ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಕೋಡಗುರ್ಕಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ಬೆಂಕಟೇಶ್ ಎಂ.ಡವರ ಮಗನಾದ ಸುಮಾರು 49 ವರ್ಷ ವಯಸ್ಸಿನ ಶ್ರೀ ವಿ. ವೇಣು ಆದ ನಾನು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಪ್ರಮಾಣೀಕರಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ನನ್ನ ಮಗಳ ಹೆಸರು ಅದಿತ್ರಿ ವಿ. ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ, ಆದರೆ ನನ್ನ ಮಗಳ ಜನನ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರ, ಆಧಾರ್ ಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಶಾಲಾ ದಾಖಲಾತಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನಿತರೆ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಇನಿಯಾ ವಿ. ಎಂದು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ನಮೂದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ, ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಇನ್ನು ಮುಂದೆ ನನ್ನ ಮಗಳ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಅದಿತ್ರಿ ವಿ. ಎಂದು ನಮೂದು ಮಾಡಲು ದಿನಾಂಕ 10-10-2024ರಂದು ನೋಟರಿ ಮತ್ತು ವಕೀಲರಾದ ಎ. ನಾರಾಯಣಸ್ವಾಮಿರವರ ಸಮಕ್ಷಮದಲ್ಲಿ ದೃಢೀಕರಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Father of Service No. 16118430K Rank: HAV, Name: ANIL YADAV presently residing at CHAKMIRAN (Vill), SAIDPUR (Post), SAIDPUR (Tehsil), GHAZIPUR (Dist.), Uttar Pradesh(State) PIN: 233304 have changed my name **BECHOO YADAV to BECHU YADAV**, DOB: Change FROM 23/11/1979 TO 08/06/1970, vide affidavit dated 01.10.2024 sworn before notary S.I Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sheeba**, C/o. Shanmugam, Aged about 38 years, Residing at Flat No. 2, 6th Cross, Geddalahalli Main Road, Byrathi, Bengaluru North PO, Dr. Shivaram Karanth Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 077, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Sheeba Dhanraj** to **Sheeba** vide affidavit dated 14.10.2024 sworn to before B. Chitra, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **UMA** W/o. Sri Ramakrishnappa T, aged about 51 years, No. 11, First Cross, Srigandanagar, Near Markandeya Temple, Sunkadakatte, Bengaluru-560091, do hereby inform the general public that my name is mentioned as **'UMA DEVI'** at the Service Records of my husband at BMTC. Hence on 12.10.2024 an affidavit is sworn to before the Notary, Puttaramaiah, Bengaluru, declaring my name as **UMA.**

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **JOHN LOURDU AROKIANATHAN** (old name) residing at Villa No.65, Peninsula Park Elite, Chikkathirupathi road, Doddathimmasandra village, Sarjapur, Anekal District, Bangalore 562125 have changed my name to **JOHN LOURDU** (new name) vide affidavit dated: 1010/2024 Before Notary **MAMATHA. N.K** Bengaluru

AFFIDAVIT

I, **DEEYA KAVERAMMA M A,** aged about 19 years, D/o Aiyappa M A, Resident of No. 440, 1st B Cross, 7th Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560095, Karnataka. I state that, in my Aadhar Card my name mentioned as **DEEYA KAVERAMMA M A** & in my Passport my name mentioned as **DEEYA KAVERAMMA.** Hereby declare that, **'DEEYA KAVERAMMA'** & **'DEEYA KAVERAMMA M A'** names are one & the same and it refers to me only, vide Affidavit dated 14.10.2024, Sworn before Advocate and Notary K.V. Mani, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHAIK AJAZ, aged 56 years, S/o. Shaik Ismail, Residing at No. 29, Umar Farooq Street, Munegowda Garden, Neelasandra, Bengaluru -560047,** have changed my name from **SHAIK AIJAZ ISMAIL to SHAIK AJAZ** vide affidavit dated: 14.10.2024 before Advocate & Notary **MOHAMED SHAFIULLA, Bengaluru.**

This will be my last season as a host for *Bigg Boss Kannada:* Sudeep

Sudeep

Kichcha Sudeep, the host of *Bigg Boss Kannada* for 10 years announces his departure from the show after the eleventh season

CE FEATURES

KANNADA audiences have long associated the reality show *Big Boss Kannada* with one name—Kichcha Sudeep. For over a decade, his magnetic presence has been the heartbeat of the show, making it a must-watch on Kannada television. Eleven consecutive seasons have created a lasting legacy, but now the time has come for him to step away from the *Bigg Boss* stage. This announcement has left fans heartbroken, with many expressing, "We can't imagine anyone else in that role."

The excitement around *Bigg Boss Kannada* Season 11 soared recently, thanks to record-breaking TRP ratings. But alongside this triumph came bittersweet news. While celebrating the show's success, Sudeep also took the opportunity to announce his departure. In a heartfelt X post, he shared,

"Thank you all for the great response shown towards #BBK11. The TVR (number) speaks in volumes about the love you all have shown towards the show and me.

It's been a great 10+1 years of travel together, and it's time for me to move on with what I need to do. This will be my last season as a host for BBK, and I truly believe that my decision will be respected by my colors and all those who have followed BB all these years.

Let's make this season the best, and I, too, shall entertain you all to my best."

With this, Sudeep's exit from *Bigg Boss Kannada* was made official.

In fact, during a recent press meet held around his birthday on September 2, Sudeep hinted at this very moment, mentioning that he would be happy if the channel found someone else to take over. Fans have been wondering if the clash between his film projects and *Bigg Boss* responsibilities contributed to his decision. With his film *Max* yet to release and him currently working on his look for *Billa Ranga Baadshaa*, and discussions on for other projects, the question arises: Is Sudeep stepping away due to scheduling conflicts, or is he simply ready for a break from reality TV?

Having hosted 11 seasons and an OTT edition, Sudeep's connection to *Bigg Boss* is unparalleled. While hosts in other language versions of the show have changed, Kannada audiences have always had the consistency of Sudeep's presence. For many, *Bigg Boss* was synonymous with Sudeep. His decision to leave has come as a surprise, with one fan commenting, "Without you, *Bigg Boss* will be like a kingdom without a king." Others have expressed, "This will be our last season of *Bigg Boss*."

Despite the sorrow of his departure, excitement is brewing among fans eager to see him focus more on films. Whether it's on the big screen or in another capacity, the Kichcha Sudeep journey is far from over—and audiences are ready for what comes next.

The major takeaway for me from *Murphy* was to dabble in various roles

says Illa Veermalla, who discusses her upcoming film, the BSP Varma directorial, which also stars Prabhu Mundkur and Roshni Prakash, set to release this week

A SHARADHAA

ILA Veermalla's journey in *Murphy* goes beyond traditional acting; it's an exploration of her versatility and passion for filmmaking. The film, which marks her eighth project, provided her with the opportunity to wear multiple hats under the direction of BSP Varma. Reflecting on the unique circumstances that birthed the film, Ila recalls, "When we were just a handful of people on set, BSP Varma asked if I was interested in taking on other facets of filmmaking beyond acting. With little on my plate during the pandemic, I seized the chance," says the actor ahead of its release this week.

Taking on the challenge, Ila stepped into the roles of assistant director and costume designer, all while shining in front of the camera. Her journey began as a child artist in *Ball Pen*, and she has since made her mark in commercials and television serials. Ila's filmography includes works such as *Shubha Mangala* and *Gharshane*, among others. Yet, *Murphy* holds a special place in her heart, as it is her first film in a leading role, sharing the screen with Prabhu Mundkur and Roshni Prakash.

Reflecting on her full-fledged involvement in the film, Ila states, "Balancing responsibilities in front of and behind the camera has deeply enriched my experience on the sets of *Murphy*. It all started so organically; being on set never felt overwhelming. Engaging with scenes allowed me to connect deeply with every aspect of the film. The major takeaway for me was the opportunity to dabble various roles."

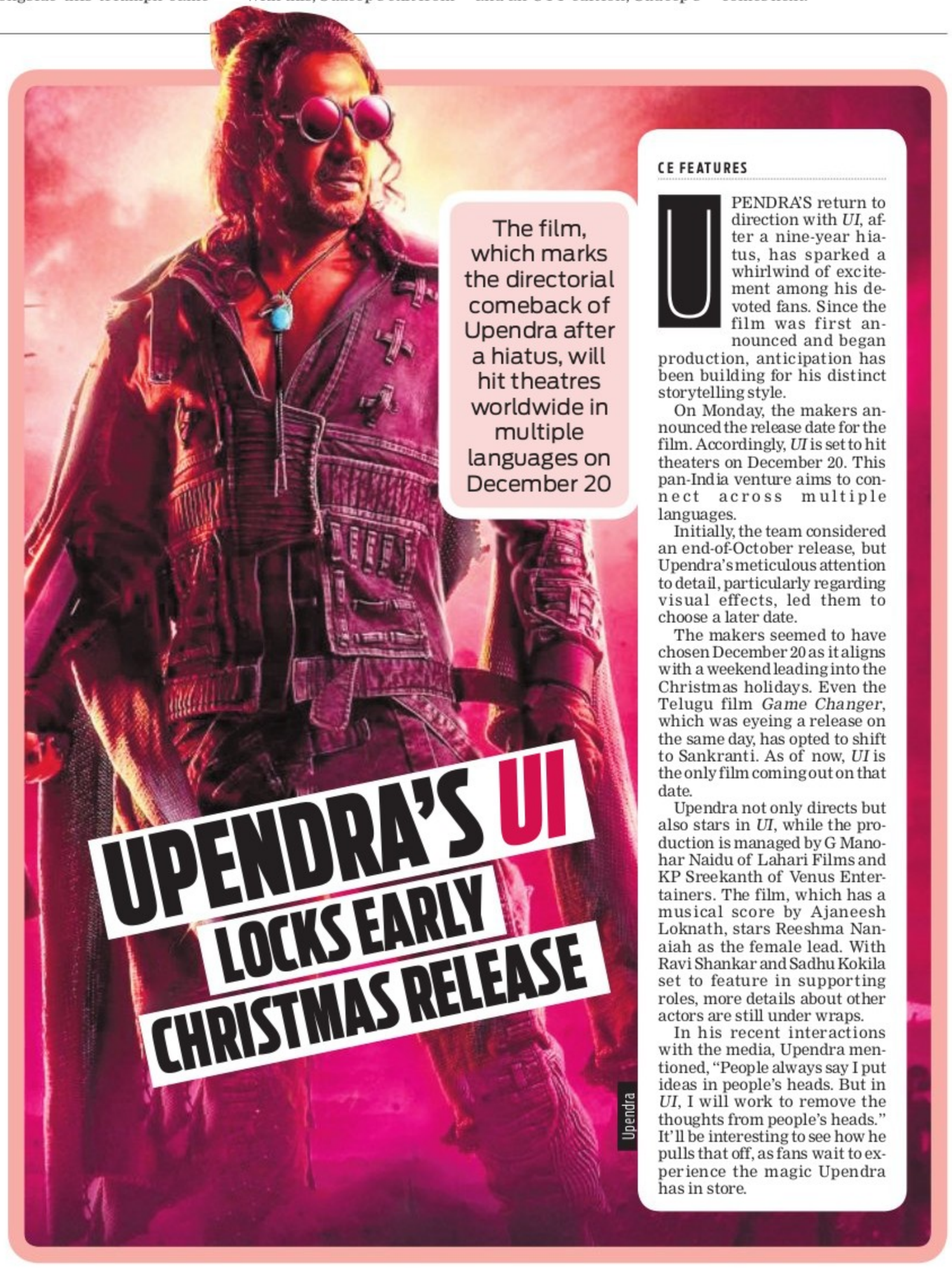
In *Murphy*, Ila portrays Jessy, a character whose dynamic with Roshni Prakash's Janani is central to the narrative. "Roshni and I are like two sides of the same coin," she describes. "We aren't too different, yet we aren't exactly the same. We're all on the same page, navigating our own paths."

A highlight of Ila's experience has been the song 'Mogachi,' which has attracted a lot of attention since its release. "The song was an unexpected delight for me. While filming, we were deeply involved in the choreography, but I didn't foresee how catchy it would become once released," she shares with enthusiasm.

When asked what initially drew her to *Murphy*, Ila reveals, "When Pradeep sir narrated the story to my mother and I, she instantly loved it. My curiosity was piqued because I have a passion for science fiction, and I wanted to see how that genre would unfold in the film." In *Murphy*, she plays David's girlfriend, an essential member of the boy's gang.

Explaining the philosophical themes of *Murphy*, Ila notes, "The film explores a domino effect that occurs with or without our awareness. It's a fascinating subject that Pradeep has artfully examined. Being one of the youngest on sets, I found it refreshing to witness the vibrancy of contemporary Kannada cinema. Experiencing a scene come to life in a real setting, especially within the worlds of romance and science fiction, was truly captivating," she concludes.

Illa Veermalla



Upendra

The film, which marks the directorial comeback of Upendra after a hiatus, will hit theatres worldwide in multiple languages on December 20

CE FEATURES

UPENDRA'S return to direction with *UI*, after a nine-year hiatus, has sparked a whirlwind of excitement among his devoted fans. Since the film was first announced and began production, anticipation has been building for his distinct storytelling style.

On Monday, the makers announced the release date for the film. Accordingly, *UI* is set to hit theaters on December 20. This pan-India venture aims to connect across multiple languages.

Initially, the team considered an end-of-October release, but Upendra's meticulous attention to detail, particularly regarding visual effects, led them to choose a later date.

The makers seemed to have chosen December 20 as it aligns with a weekend leading into the Christmas holidays. Even the Telugu film *Game Changer*, which was eyeing a release on the same day, has opted to shift to Sankranti. As of now, *UI* is the only film coming out on that date.

Upendra not only directs but also stars in *UI*, while the production is managed by G Manohar Naidu of Lahari Films and KP Sreekanth of Venus Entertainers. The film, which has a musical score by Ajaneesh Loknath, stars Reeshma Nanaiah as the female lead. With Ravi Shankar and Sadhu Kokila set to feature in supporting roles, more details about other actors are still under wraps.

In his recent interactions with the media, Upendra mentioned, "People always say I put ideas in people's heads. But in *UI*, I will work to remove the thoughts from people's heads." It'll be interesting to see how he pulls that off, as fans wait to experience the magic Upendra has in store.

YALA KUNNI LOCKS RELEASE DATE

CE FEATURES

THE makers of *Yala Kunni* are paying tribute to the iconic villain Vajramuni, with actor Komal Kumar honouring this legendary personality by taking on a lead role in the NR Pradeep directorial. The film's tagline, "Mera Naam Vajramuni," is sure to draw in audiences, especially fans of the celebrated actor.

The latest news is that *Yala Kunni* has announced its release date. The film set to hit theaters on October 25. The team aims to provide a unique experience, featuring Komal Kumar in a dual role. The film is produced by Soundarya Cine Combines and Narasimha Cinemas.

Set against a rustic village backdrop, *Yala Kunni* features music by Dharma Vish, editing by Deepu S Kumar, and cinematography by Halesh Bhadravathi. The dance sequences are choreographed by Murali Master, while Narasimha Master handles the action scenes.

The cast includes versatile and seasoned actors such as Dattanna, Sadhu Kokila, Mitra, and Suchendra Prasad, along with Shivaraj KR Pete, Tabla Nani, Raju Thalikote, Suman Nagarkar, Manasi Sudheer, Yatiraj Jaggesh, Jayasimha Musuri, Raghu Ramanakoppa, Mahantesh, and Baubau Jayaram, among others. In addition, Vajramuni's grandson, Akarsh, makes his debut in the film, joined by actor Mayur Patel.

Helmed by NR Pradeep, the film features Komal Kumar in a dual role

Komal Kumar